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ALUMNI LIFE

FOR ALUMNI, FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

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WELCOME TO
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HOME OF
BACK-TO-BACK
NATIONAL WRESTLING
CHAMPIONS!
DOMINIC DELLAGATTA-1999
FLORIAN GHINEA-1998

National champions... *Wrestlers Dominic Dellagatta (left) and Florian Ghinea (right), and Head Coach Steve Strellner proudly display the awards they brought home from the 2000 NCAA Division III Wrestling Championships. Dellagatta and Ghinea each took home individual titles and the team finished third in the nation. Four wrestlers earned All-American status. (For more sports action, see page 16.)*

School of Business earns accreditation

DIANA ST. LIFER

Montclair State University's School of Business has joined a select rank of schools in the nation accredited by the AACSB—The International Association for Management Education, the premier accrediting agency for business schools.

As of March, only 375 of the approximately 1,500 college business schools in the United States were AACSB accredited. Montclair State's accreditation became official April 9 and applies to undergraduate and graduate programs.

"This confirms what employers and alumni have been telling us for some time—that our students are exceptionally qualified and effective in their organizations," said Karen Dennis, assistant dean of the School of Business. "This, however, puts the gold seal on it." A seal that, in the business world, is a recognized sign of excellence in business and management education.

"Employers realize the importance of the AACSB symbol and the quality of students who come from accredited schools," said Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business, which is entering its 20th

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Comment

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
Alumni Association President

I am happy to report that Phonathon 2000 was a big success. We received $85,525 in pledges, $4,100 over last year's total.

We owe a large thank you to Barbara Krusko, director of the Annual Fund, along with her assistant, Liz Voltman, and Liz's mom, Joan. The trio headed up a team of students who worked diligently over 12 days calling alumni all over the country. Nearly 20 callers assembled each night, getting an average pledge of $43. Many students returned several evenings trying to surpass their previous total or outdo a fellow student. The atmosphere was one of friendly, but serious, competition.

I had the opportunity to join the callers one evening and was extremely impressed with our student callers. They were terrific!

The Alumni Association executive board also participated by calling Club level $100+ donors. But the benefits of calling are not just in monetary terms.

It is always enjoyable to chat with someone who hasn't seen the many changes on campus since graduation, or to reminisce with former classmates.

Phonathon is one of the Alumni Association's annual major fund appeal campaigns. Your donations allow the Alumni Association to "do its work." Donations go toward programming, activities and, perhaps most important, scholarships.

Because of alumni generosity and support, three scholarships are offered. The Alumni Association Undergraduate Scholarship recognizes students who have maintained high academic standards while actively involved in University and community activities. The Undergraduate Service Award recognizes students who have maintained high levels of performance in service to the University and community while maintaining strong academic proficiency. The Carpe Diem Award acknowledges undergraduates who have had to overcome difficult circumstances and adversity during the pursuit of their educational goals.

The awarding of scholarships is one of the most important missions of the Association. This year, the Association awarded 21 Undergraduate Scholarships and four Service Awards, each worth $1,600, as well as six Carpe Diem awards. Having had the opportunity to read the scholarship applications, including essays reflecting accomplishments and future goals, and speak to the recipients, I can tell you that the money has been well spent. Our future alumni are dynamic, hard working and well deserving of these scholarships.

All this happens because of alumni generosity. Making a pledge is an important first step. Now it's time to dig out that pledge form and envelope, and honor your commitment. Every donation—no matter the size—can make a difference. ◆

President's Message

Dr. Susan A. Cole

When I say "thanks a million" to Gov. Christine Todd Whitman and the New Jersey state legislature, I mean it quite literally.

That's because Montclair State University will be among the first universities in New Jersey to benefit from the Higher Education Incentive Fund Act, recently passed by the state legislature and signed by Gov. Whitman. The Act creates the "Higher Education Incentive Endowment Fund" that provides state funding to match endowment contributions of $1 million or more made to a college or university.

The immediate effect of this Act is that the $1.25 million gift made by alumna Margaret Sokol '38 to establish the Margaret and Herman Sokol Chair in Chemistry is eligible for matching funds, which will double the effect of the gift to $2.5 million. This gift for the University's first endowed professorship will enable us to hire an outstanding young scientist for the Sokol Chair, one who is prepared to develop a vigorous research and teaching program in the applications of chemistry to the study of living systems.

Our strong alumni support in the past has allowed Montclair State to attract an ever-increasing number of talented students to the chemical and life sciences. This year, we have more than 600 biology and molecular biology majors enrolled as well as 150 students majoring in programs in chemistry and biochemistry.

The quality of these science programs has led many of our graduates to prominent positions at pharmaceutical firms including Merck, Hoffmann-LaRoche, Reckitt and Colman, and Schering-Plough. Others go on to fine medical schools, including admission to the medical, dental or Ph.D. articulation programs we have established with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey. And, of course, in keeping with Montclair State's tradition, many fill a much-needed role as science teachers in schools throughout the state.

Our excellent science programs are just one example of the many fine programs provided by the University, enabling Montclair State to claim its place as one of the truly great universities in the region.

What distinguishes such institutions is the ability to provide the highest quality academic programs, which in turn is directly related to the support provided by alumni. I offer my sincere gratitude to the thousands of alumni who show their appreciation for the education they received with a gift to the University each year year.

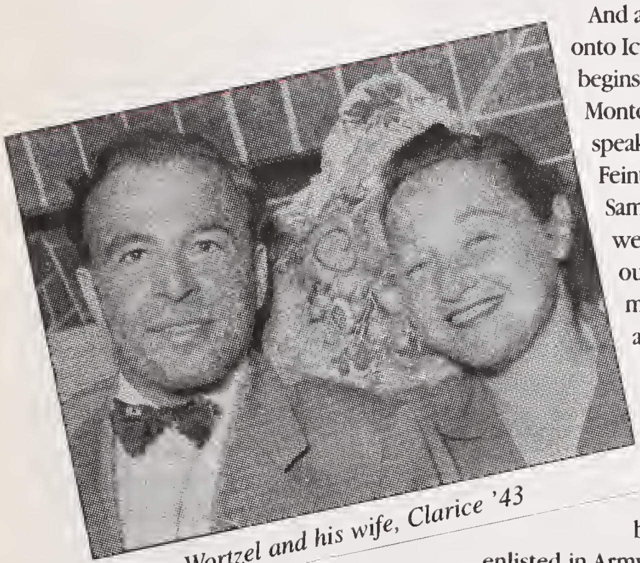
And, for those among our alumni who are fortunate enough to have the means to support their University at the million-dollar level, with the state matching program currently in effect there will never be a better time to consider such a gift. Every gift, small or large, is needed; and I pledge to you that we will work hard to ensure that every dollar you give makes a difference for today's 13,500 deserving students. ◆

Alumni Profile

ARTHUR WORTZEL '40

BY PERRY JONES '99

When Arthur Wortzel '40 says the quality of education he received at Montclair State was as high as any other institution he attended, he puts his alma mater in good company—Columbia University, the State Department's Foreign Service Institute, the University of Pennsylvania and Harvard University.



Arthur Wortzel and his wife, Clarice '43

And as he looks out his living room window onto Ice House Pond on Martha's Vineyard, he begins to reminisce about the ties that bind Montclair comrades of old. As he freely speaks about Stan '41 and Janice '43 Feintuch, Seymour '41 and Elaine '43 Samet, and his wife, Clarice '43, as if they were everyone's old friends, it is obvious Wortzel left Montclair State with more than a good education; he came away with lifelong friendships.

"Back then it was a teacher's college, and it was my intention to be a teacher," he said. "But then the war broke out, and in 1942 I went to Fort Monmouth with my two buddies, Stan and Seymour, and we enlisted in Army. At the OCS (officer's candidate school), we all had to take an IQ test. Several days later, Stan and I were called to take another version of the same test. We had no idea what was going on. It turns out that in all the time they had been administering the test no one had ever achieved a perfect score. Well, here were these two fellows with consecutive serial numbers both getting a perfect score. Naturally, they assumed we had copied from one another. The second time we took the test Stan got one answer wrong, but I got them all right. And it had very much to do with Montclair, because that's where we learned about IQ tests."

Arthur Wortzel (standing, right) says Montclair State not only gave him a great education, but lasting friendships as well. Pictured (seated, from left) are 1943 graduates Elaine Samet (nee Rosenberg), Janice Feintuch (nee Albert) and Clarice Wortzel (nee Ramer), and (standing, left) Seymour Samet '41.

Wortzel's four years in the U.S. Army included services as a counterintelligence agent in Germany. He explained that after spending six weeks studying German at the University of Pennsylvania, he was sent to Germany to identify, gain custody of and interrogate Gestapo and SS members who were either trying to get out of Germany or slip back in.

In 1946 Wortzel was out of the Army and on his own mission at Columbia University—to earn a master's in sociology. In 1950, two years after earning a degree, he became a foreign service officer.

"The work of a professional diplomat is two-pronged," he explained. "On one hand, you are a representative of your own government to the foreign host, and on the other hand you need to inform your government, as best you can, what's going on in that country."

During the Cuban missile crisis Wortzel was stationed in Moscow where he lived for years under the scrutiny of Soviet authorities. He recalled that he and his colleagues were ordered to avoid all but the most casual contact with Soviet citizens.

"The Soviets kept close track of where we were at all times," he explained. "We weren't allowed to travel except with permission, and lived in an apartment house assigned to us by the Soviet government. At the entrance to our building was a little police-type booth where a guard reported our comings and goings." The bulk of the information Wortzel gave back to the States was from officials' prepared statements, and the security staff at the State Department was fully aware that the building Wortzel occupied was bugged.

Periodically, Wortzel said, U.S. technicians were sent to check the building. "Eventually, out of desperation, they sent a fairly large team who went to one big room that was used by a bunch of NCOs and literally took the room apart," he said. The team's efforts paid off when they removed a radiator from the wall and discovered one microphone that led them to 48 more.

After returning to the states in 1965, Wortzel became director of the East/West Cultural Exchange Program, which sponsored the exchange, mainly between the United States and the Soviet Union, of artists, orchestras and scholars. Subsequently he served at the American Embassy in Prague as deputy chief of Mission and charge' d'Affaires; at the Department of State as deputy assistant secretary of State for personnel; and at the American Embassy in Belgrade as minister and charge' d'Affaires.

In 1978 Wortzel retired from foreign service and took a position as director of the Washington regional office of THINC Consulting Group International.

Today he and Clarice reside on Martha's Vineyard, where he is active in many community associations and committees. He has served as president of the Community Services Board, is an executive member of Dukes County Health and Human Services Advisory Council, Martha's Vineyard Health Care Planning Committee, the Vineyard Hebrew Center Building Committee, the Chamber Music Society, Vineyard Haven Library Capital Campaign Committee and Martha's Vineyard Mediation Program. He also has been chairman of the West Tisbury Town Government Study Committee.

Still, the couple continues to keep in touch with the lifetime friendships established at Montclair State, including a recent trip to Tuscany and visits to each other's homes.

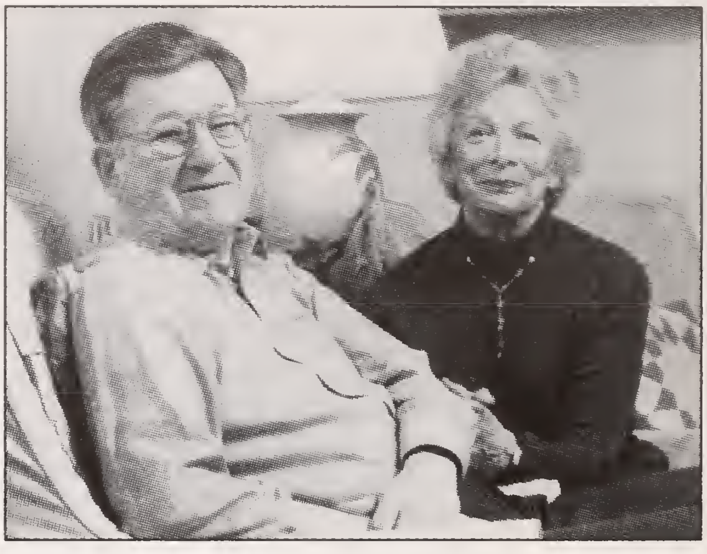
However, the Wortzels, who have traveled through and lived in more countries than most will see in a lifetime, will readily admit they have found a home at the end of the rainbow where they are perfectly content to stay. ◆

Fund helps students blow their own horns

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

Sitting in an office in the Bond House, Murray L. Cole graciously agrees to talk about the musical instrument endowment fund he and his wife, Miriam, established this winter. As I begin to fire questions about the fund and its purpose, Cole, a retired attorney, former U.S. Navy commander and longtime member of Montclair State's Board of Trustees, chuckles and gets a twinkle in his eye that is a clear indication that something unexpected is about to follow. "The funny thing is," said the 77-year-old Cole, "I have absolutely no sense of rhythm." His smile widens, and after pausing a moment he recalls a story about his bride-to-be teaching him to dance. "We would play the jukebox and Miriam would beat the rhythm on my shoulder," he explained. "But I just couldn't dance."

As a child, Cole even tried tickling the ivories for a while—for seven years under three teachers to be exact. The result? "I can't play a thing," he said in a tone as if he can't believe it himself. "My teachers all told me I'd be great if I only had a sense of rhythm."



Murray L. Cole and his wife, Miriam, established a musical instrument endowment fund for the Music Department.

No doubt it was Cole's charm more than his musical ability that attracted Miriam, a professional dancer in the 1950s who danced with the legendary Martha Graham.

Despite his self-proclaimed lack of rhythm, Cole and his family enjoy music in many aspects of their lives. Cole talks about an uncle who was a first violinist in the Harvard University Symphony, a cousin who is a voice coach and his own sons' love for music.

So when Cole learned Montclair State's Music Department needed new instruments, he and his wife established an endowment fund that will assist in purchasing a full range of state-of-the-art instruments. "There are a lot of talented students who don't have the means to buy instruments," he said. "We want to give them a chance to develop their talents."

Cole remembers the impact music had on him when he was a student at Williams College in Massachusetts. "There was an endowed concert series that gave me the opportunity to hear artists I had never, and probably would have never, heard of if it weren't for the series," he said. "If students are exposed to music, but don't have anything to apply it to, how will they blossom?"

Cole's dedication to Montclair State and its students began 19 years ago when he became a member of the Board of Trustees. He has served two terms as chair and has been an advocate and spokesperson for the University in many arenas. "I am really very impressed with Montclair State's student body," he said. "There are some tremendously talented students at this university and many of them, given the opportunity, go on to great things.

"A lot can be done by the students if they are given the opportunity," he added. "And there is a lot people can do. They just have to want to do it and ask about opportunities."

Cole is a firm believer in the impact an opportunity can make and to this day credits his fiddle-playing uncle, who was also a well-known labor arbitrator, with affording him many interesting opportunities in the early days of his law career. "He was well known in this country for his work in labor arbitration and mediation," Cole recalled. "I would hear stories about how presidents Roosevelt, Truman, Eisenhower and Kennedy would call upon him for his services with the labor strikes in the coal industry or with the GE strike during the Korean War," he said.

Cole went on to his own successful law career, specializing in real estate, corporate and banking law. He practiced for more than 50 years before a stroke forced an early retirement in 1997.

Although his off-campus involvement has slowed down a bit—(the long list of activities include a 65-year affiliation with the Boy Scouts of America)—he still continues to be more active than most. And if he gets that twinkle in his eye—the one where you know something unexpected will follow—don't be surprised if he attempts a little two-step. He may not have rhythm, but he has music in his heart and a band of generosity in his soul.

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CREATIVE WAYS TO GIVE

Give a gift with strings attached. A gift to the Musical Instrument Endowment fund can keep one of the Music Department's violins and violas strung in perpetuity. $1,000

Keep them in stitches with a gift to provide costumes for the TheatreFest production of "Master Class" starring Leslie Uggams. $4,000

Chart the way to success with graphing calculators for students in the College of Mathematics and Sciences. $125

Inspire future ecologists. Identification keys, plankton collectors and probes will help students take the theories they have learned in the classroom and put them into practice in the field. $2,000

Provide a roadmap to the future for biology students with a gift of DNA markers. $2,000

Put the world at our students' fingertips with new Geographic Information Systems (GIS) software for students in the Earth and Environmental Studies program. $3,000

Keep things afloat at MSU's New Jersey School of Conservation with a gift of new canoes. $500 each

Help students get the picture with a closed-circuit television system that will allow university students to observe model clinical service at the Communications Disorder Center. $5,000

Show students the way to a fulfilling career with an orientation video for students in the Cooperative Education program. $2,500

Spark the next generation of corporate leaders by underwriting the cost of the Executive Leadership Seminar for MBA students. $5,000

Step up to the plate by sponsoring a Science Week educational program for school children at the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center on campus. $2,000

Open the door to technology for students with disabilities with a gift of software for an adaptive technology laboratory. $1,000

Encourage leadership with a scholarship that will let an incoming student participate in the University's New Student Leadership Seminar. $5,000

Gift opportunities are subject to change. For more information about these or other gift opportunities contact Cynthia L. Barnes, Office of Institutional Advancement, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043, phone 973-655-4344 or e-mail barnesc@mail.montclair.edu.

Lights, camera, action

BY MARIA INCARDONA '00

Interested in problems people face on the Internet? How about taking a closer look at women in sports? Wondering what impact the media and consumerism have on children? Then turn on your TV every week, not to "Dateline," but to MSU's own "Carpe Diem."

The weekly half-hour magazine show, which is produced, directed and hosted by broadcasting majors, originated seven years ago when Dr. Lawrence Londino of the Broadcasting Department had a vision to create a program that would change the face of university broadcasting.

Professor Patty Piroh (standing) works with students (left to right) Jody Beesley, Pete Czech and Robert Spear on an episode of "Carpe Diem."

"When I first arrived on campus in 1992, broadcasting majors were doing production in the classrooms that aired on a cable system similar to what we are doing now," explained Londino, executive producer of "Carpe Diem."

"Shows, however, were produced infrequently and without consistency. The first thing I wanted to do was implement a program that aired on a regular basis."

While the idea for the show was set in motion, the name was still up in the air until a former broadcasting student came up with "Carpe Diem"—Montclair State's official motto.

"It means 'Seize the Day' and we thought it was an all encompassing title for the kind of programming we were putting together," said Patricia Piroh of the Broadcasting Department, who is the series producer. "We also wanted the name to stick closely with the University for recognition."

"Carpe Diem" hit the air in 1993 and was shown once a month until the following year when it became a weekly attraction, something other area universities have yet to attempt.

Every Tuesday more than 480,000 northern New Jersey residents who are Cablevision or Comcast subscribers can tune into a new episode of "Carpe Diem." As of last fall, "Carpe Diem" also can be seen twice a week in the residence halls.

The show covers topics that range from the very serious to the extremely humorous. "We have covered some important issues such as breast cancer and AIDS awareness," Piroh explained. "We've also aired lighter topics like modern day witches and the search for the New Jersey devil. The subject matter really depends on the students' interests."

More than 100 faculty, staff and alumni have been featured on "Carpe Diem," offering comments and feedback in areas of expertise. Dr. Joan Ficke, assistant vice president for Academic Affairs, has appeared on the show several times.

"One of the motivating factors to participating in 'Carpe Diem' is that it is a student learning experience, one which, I believe, is extraordinarily valuable for broadcasting students," Ficke said.

Dr. Ralph DiPietro of the Marketing Department had his 15 minutes of fame when he did a 1998 promo on the annual Career Day. "The show is excellent," he said. "The students handle themselves professionally and the show gives them an opportunity to practice what they'll be doing in the real world."

Guests also include those with national recognition, such as former presidential candidate Bill Bradley, who appeared with his wife, a familiar face on campus, Dr. Ernestine Schlant of the Department of German and Russian; and Peter Rodino, chairman of the committee that impeached former President Richard Nixon.

For the audience, the show is informative and entertaining. For the students who work on the show, it is invaluable hands-on experience. "The show enables broadcasting majors to function as a production unit," said Piroh. "They get a chance to host, produce, direct, edit and work the camera so they can find out the area in which they are most proficient."

Student Mirjam Lablans, who produced a piece on Players, the on-campus acting club, said the experience has prepared her to tackle more serious projects. "I'm going to the Netherlands to interview my grandmother about the Holocaust," she explained, noting it will be her first shot at a documentary.

Brian Cox hopes one day to produce, and working on "Carpe Diem" has given him a head start. "I co-produced a show called 'The Human Canvas,' which is a piece on piercing and tattooing," he said. "We took our crew to a body art convention in Pittsburgh and shot footage there." Cox also is producing a piece on ovarian cancer. "The level of work they [Londino and Piroh] expect is nothing short of professional, and that's what everybody strives for," he said. "I think that's what we achieve and it's a testament to the program."

Dedicated broadcasting majors have produced 170 episodes since 1993, and along with all their hard work has come some well-deserved recognition. The show was voted Best Educational Series in 1996 for the Cable Television Network. Last year a documentary called "Dance Across the Dateline" won a Telly award as well as a New York Festival International Film and Video Competition award. ◆

TheatreFest, the professional equity theatre-in-residence at Montclair State University, has an exciting season lined up. For more than a decade, TheatreFest has produced innovative musicals, premieres of new works, educational programs and stars in concert for area theatergoers. This season is no exception. For tickets and performance times, call the MSU Box Office at 973-655-5112. And don't forget to ask about Curtain Talk, which takes place following a Sunday performance of each production. Curtain Talk is a unique opportunity for theatergoers to meet the cast, staff and creative team. Find out how the production develops from pre-planning before the first rehearsal to culmination of the final product.

TheatreFest

BROADWAY ON THE HILL

The Professional Equity Theatre-In-Residence At Montclair State University

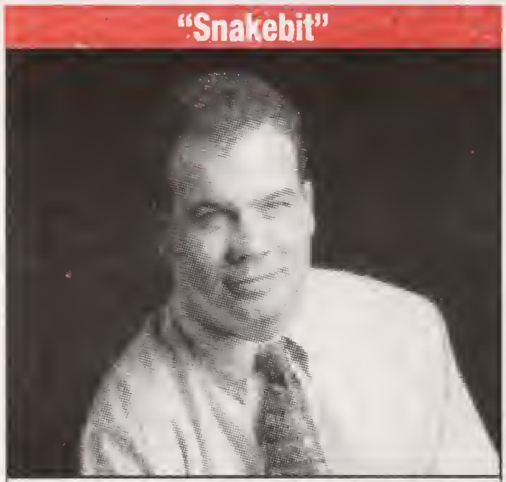
"Matters of the Heart"

The summer begins with Patti LuPone in **"Matters of the Heart," June 8-11**. Hot off her sold-out engagement at Carnegie Hall, LuPone comes to TheatreFest in her new one-woman show.

"Master Class"

Next up is Leslie Uggams in **"Master Class," June 15-25**. Maria Callas takes center stage in Terrence McNally's Tony Award-winning character study of opera's greatest diva. Callas has returned to enlighten, inspire and terrify her students in a brilliant portrait of one of our century's most dynamic artists.

"Snakebit"

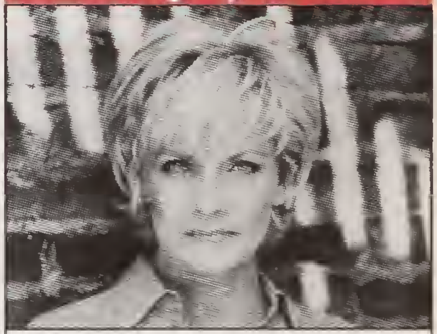


"Snakebit" by David Marshall Grant is directed by TheatreFest's own John Wooten. The New Jersey premiere of the cutting edge off-Broadway hit opens the Next Stage season on **June 29** and runs through **July 9**. The play recently was cited by *Time* magazine as one of the best new plays of 1999 and centers on a Manhattan couple's visit to its closest friend in Los Angeles. Unforeseen circumstances soon force a long protected secret to the surface, quickly changing the lives and friendship of the trio forever.

Regional Playwriting Contest

Michael Scheman of New York City is the winner of the 2000 TheatreFest Regional Playwriting Contest. His play, **"Running From the Rhyme,"** which was chosen from more than 250 submissions, will be produced **July 13-16**. Professor Susan Kerner of MSU's Department of Theatre and Dance will direct.

"High Spirits"



Three-time Emmy Award-winning actress Kim Zimmer takes center stage in **"High Spirits"** by Hugh Martin and Timothy Gray, **July 20-Aug. 6**. This production, with music by Cy Coleman, is directed by Geoffrey Newman, dean of Montclair State's School of the Arts, and choreographed by Roger Bennet Riggle, TheatreFest associate producer. This delightful ghost story of a musical celebrates Noel Coward's 100th anniversary and TheatreFest's 15th anniversary.

"Wow! What a Century!" "Peter and the Wolf"

TheatreFest for Kids will present **"Wow! What a Century!" June 14** and **16**, and **July 28**, and **"Peter and the Wolf," June 23** and **July 14**. At the July 14 performance of "Peter and the Wolf," children can enjoy Camp TheatreFest, which includes the performance, a complete lunch and two specialized workshops in art, music, dance or theater.

Summer tours around the world

Montclair State's Global Education Center is sponsoring several summer tours in conjunction with other campus organizations and departments. For information about cost and accommodations, call the Center at 973-655-4185.

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MUSIC IN CENTRAL EUROPE, July 2–15

Faculty: Dr. Mary Ann Craig of MSU's Music Department and Dr. Daniela Sliacka of the Bratislava State Conservatory of Music and Drama.

This 13-day tour of Central Europe is a delight for lovers of music. It will feature Prague, Budapest, Vienna and Bratislava, including musical and historical sights and sounds. Participants will meet musicians from leading conservatories, hear concerts, and see famous sites and architectural wonders of four cities central to music history.

TROPICAL MARINE ECOSYSTEMS, August 6-12

An Exploration through Underwater Photography

Faculty: Dr. Martin Greenwald of MSU's Fine Arts Department and Dr. Richard Lowell of Ramapo College.

Optional Academic Credit Course: Underwater Photography

Divers package includes five two-tank dives, air tanks and weights. Certification course can be arranged on-site for an additional expense. This study tour is based at Journey's End Resort on Ambergris Caye in Belize, which is a PADI 5-star IDC instructor development center, and a beautiful resort offering a full range of amenities. The Underwater Photography course uses the underwater camera as both a documentation and observation tool to explore the tropical marine environment.

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTES

MONTCLAIR IN GUADALAJARA, May 18-June 20

Faculty: Dr. John Hwang and Dr. Aristides Escobar of MSU's Department of Spanish and Italian.

Courses offered: Spanish I, II, III, IV, Perspectives on Latin America (taught in English, fulfills GER), Capstone Course in Latin American and Latino Studies (taught in Spanish).

This new program features intensive beginning and intermediate Spanish, and is based in the beautiful city of Guadalajara with courses at UNIVA. It includes a two-day visit to Mexico City as well as one day in Guanajuato. Travelers will enjoy living with Mexican families and will have many opportunities to develop their Spanish-language skills.

MONTCLAIR IN SIENA, ITALY July 16-Aug. 17

Faculty: Dr. Vincenzo Bollettino and Yolanda Gasparo of MSU's Department of Spanish and Italian, Dr. Tom Benediktsson of MSU's Honors Program and Patricia Piroh of MSU's Department of Broadcasting.

Courses Offered: Italian Cultural History, Italian I, II, III and IV, Italian Literature of the 20th Century, Italian Independent Study, General Humanities II—From 1400 (fulfills GER), Italian Media Journal (Broadcasting, open to non-majors).

This program features a one-week escorted tour of Rome and Southern Italy followed by four weeks of intensive morning classes in the medieval city of Siena.

MONTCLAIR IN MADRID, June 27-July 30

Faculty: Dr. John Hwang of the Department of Spanish and Italian, Dr. Nancy Tumposky of MSU's Department of Curriculum and Teaching, and Dr. Teresa San Pedro of The College of New Jersey.

Courses offered: Intermediate Spanish Conversation, Masterpieces of Spanish-American Literature, Spanish Conversation, Spanish Cultural History, Spanish Theater of the 20th Century, Contemporary Spanish Poetry and Curriculum Construction in the Elementary School.

This program features a four-day escorted tour of Barcelona plus four weeks in Madrid, with intermediate-advanced Spanish language and literature courses as well as a graduate course on teaching foreign languages in elementary school.

MONTCLAIR IN LONDON, July 27-Aug. 9

Faculty: Ms. Susan Kerner of MSU's Department of Theatre and Dance and numerous guest lecturers.

Courses offered: Undergraduate and Graduate level Theatre Department Independent Study on Shakespeare at the Globe.

This program features 12 days in England with seven theater performances, acting workshops, backstage tours and numerous guest lectures with theater professionals. There also are two free days and several afternoons for exploring London on your own.

MONTCLAIR IN BEIJING, June 15-25

Faculty: Dr. Chung-kue Hsu and Dr. C. Jayachandran of the Department of Marketing.

Courses offered: International Business Study Abroad

This graduate program is open to current MBA students and MBA alumni, and features site visits to Chinese businesses as well as participation in the International Conference on Global Business and Economic Development in Beijing.

MONTCLAIR IN THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAINFORESTS, June 27-July 7

Faculty: Dr. Jacalyn Willis of Great Ideas in Science and Dr. Stanley Walling of Archaeology.

Courses offered: Graduate Independent Study in Environmental Curriculum Development

This Great Ideas in Science professional development institute for teachers features an anthropological and ecological exploration of the only temperate rainforest in this hemisphere, including the Pacific Rim National Park on Vancouver Island and the Olympic National Park.

MONTCLAIR IN BELIZE, Aug. 15-23

Faculty: Dr. Jacalyn Willis and Dr. Stanley Walling.

Course offered: Pro-Seminar Belize Forest Ecology

This Great Ideas in Science professional development institute for teachers features a field ecological practicum as well as observation of historical Mayan and contemporary tropical habitats, and is based at a comfortable wilderness lodge. ◆

Spanning the University

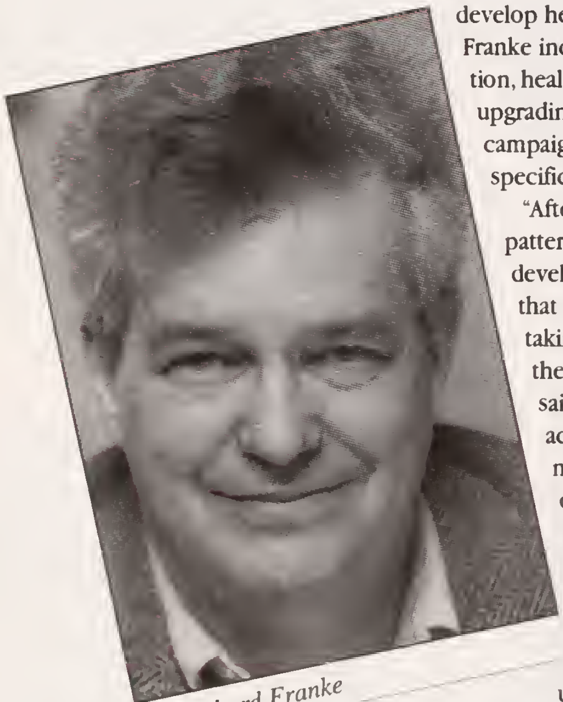
CAMPUS NEWS

Prestigious grant funds professor's work in Kerala

The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation has awarded a $92,936 grant that will allow Dr. Richard Franke of Anthropology to study disease prevention and health care in Kerala, India.

The grant, part of a program designed to encourage collaborative efforts between First World and Third World institutions, will be shared by Montclair State University and the Kerala Health Studies and Research Centre in India. During the 18-month project, Franke will work with Dr. B. Ekbal, neurosurgeon and founder of the Centre, and Dr. Joy Elamon, a general practitioner there, to study community initiatives for effective low-cost disease prevention and health care delivery in Kerala.

"The Kerala experiment is unique because health decentralization is being carried out as part of a larger decentralization of government power," said Franke. "It is occurring in the context of a mass campaign designed to encourage activism by using local participation to overcome weaknesses in current health policies and practice in Kerala."



Dr. Richard Franke

Several villages already have taken the initiative to develop health projects. Areas that most interest Franke include safe drinking water, latrine installation, health education, disease identification camps, upgrading subdistrict hospitals, and eradication campaigns against rabies, blindness and other specific health problems.

"After we analyze those projects to identify patterns, Doctors Ekbal and Elamon and I will develop a 'how-to' manual for health activists that will suggest ideas for health care undertakings in all the villages of Kerala, as well as the international development community," said Franke. "We're also going to create an academic version with reference to international studies that will place the Kerala experiment in comparative literature."

Franke wants to show that Primary Health Centres (PHC) are better able to identify and serve local needs, and improve efficiency of higher levels of health services by sending fewer unnecessary cases to them. He also hopes to demonstrate the degree to which PHC better serve the poorest sections of the population and the ability of PHC staffs to work with elected local representatives and local assemblies of villagers to improve the design of disease prevention measures.

This project is more than an intellectual venture for Franke. He said the funding has given him a chance to do something that will benefit not only the people in Kerala, but students from Montclair State as well. Franke has been able to hire a student assistant, is planning seminars and other activities, and next year will bring Ekbal and Elamon to Montclair State for a month as visiting scholars.

"It's a great honor and a privilege to work on this and other projects in Kerala," said Franke. "I've met so many outstanding, dedicated scholars who very much want their work to be used to benefit the people in their communities. Although I haven't studied or written in the health area, it's an opportunity for me to test some ideas I've developed in research and related areas such as agriculture, ecology and social structure, and see how they might fit into the health area."

From Puerto Rico to Philadelphia, "Cuban Roots" remake is a hit

More than 30 years after the release of "Cuban Roots," Dr. Mark Weinstein is at it again with a remake of the album credited for being a major influence on the New York salsa scene.

"Cuban Roots: Cuban Roots Revisited," which hit music stores last summer, was a regular on the Top 20 play lists throughout the summer in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Miami, Philadelphia and San Juan, Puerto Rico. The remake, in which Weinstein, professor in the Department of Educational Foundations, is joined by 11 musicians including his musician nephew Dan Weinstein, who co-produced the CD along with his uncle, continues to get rave reviews throughout the industry.

"The record company wanted to re-release the original 'Cuban Roots,' but they couldn't get the rights," Weinstein explained. "So instead of re-releasing it, they asked me to revisit it."

Unlike the original "Cuban Roots," in which Weinstein showcased his talents as a jazz trombonist, the 10-track "Cuban Roots Revisited" brings out the best of Weinstein on jazz flute.

If you want to give your ears a treat, log on to www.jazzfluteweinstein.com and download some of Weinstein's music.

DYFS supports child advocacy program

Charles Venti, director of the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS), was on campus in February to meet students and faculty involved in the University's new Post-B.A. Certificate in Child Advocacy.

The program's 18-credit curriculum prepares individuals to work as child advocates in a variety of settings. The program, which began this spring, has received funding from DYFS. Twenty-two students enrolled in the program work for DYFS or CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates), or serve on child placement review boards.

"Our curriculum will serve as a model for professionals working in the field," said Dr. Robert D. McCormick of Psychology and Justice Studies, director of the pro-

MSU President Susan A. Cole speaks with Charles Venti, director of the New Jersey Division of Youth and Family Services, about the new Post-B.A. Certificate in Child Advocacy.

gram. "Few colleges and universities offer courses in child advocacy. Fewer still offer programs that would give students the necessary preparation to serve as advocates."

The curriculum is multidisciplinary, incorporating perspectives from law, psychology and sociology. Courses include child psychology, children's rights and child advocacy, contemporary issues in child advocacy, selected topics in justice studies, clinical interviewing and forensic psychology. Faculty who teach in the program are selected based on their experiences as child advocates and are noted experts in their respective fields.

On campus, Venti met with MSU President Susan A. Cole and McCormick, and visited a forensic psychology class taught by Christine Baker.

"This program is relevant, especially for people in child welfare professions," Venti said. "It gives them the necessary tools to assist them in accessing services for children and families in need. Students will increase their current skills and learn new ones to ensure that communities and government organizations provide the type of services children need."

Students pour books into the Gallon Jug

A new chapter is unfolding for students in Belize thanks to Dr. Nancy Tumposky of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching, and faculty, parents and students of the Montclair Renaissance Middle School.

During a Global Education trip last summer to Belize, Tumposky visited the Gallon Jug Community School, an English language elementary school, and was disheartened to see the school's library had many outdated books. It was then she decided to organize the Books for Belize program that would provide more recent materials to students in the Gallon Jug Community School.

In September, the idea took flight when Claire Ciliotta, a Montclair resident and Renaissance Middle School parent, learned about the program and began donating books. The following month Tumposky spoke to sixth-grade students about her plan. "I showed them slides of Belize, did a presentation and left photos with them of the Gallon Jug School and the students," Tumposky explained. She proposed that the students participate in collecting books and raising funds to ship the books to Belize, providing a perfect opportunity for them to help others and simultaneously integrate the service component into the school curriculum.

Through weekly bake sales, the students raised $156 in one month. "They were enthusiastic to bake and participate," said sixth-grade teacher Gina Tischio. "They are a good group of kids and work well as a team."

The students also brought in their own books for the program. Tumposky said second-hand books are welcome because the Gallon Jug School, which has limited resources, will not be required to pay duty on them. Members of the Montclair State chapter of Kappa Delta will pack and ship the books to Belize.

"I hope to set up a long-term relationship between the Renaissance School and the Gallon Jug School," Tumposky said.

Sixth graders from the Montclair Renaissance School team up with Montclair State to collect books to send to the Gallon Jug Community School in Belize. Pictured, from left, Gina Marie Tischio, a teacher at the Renaissance School; Montclair State student Tanya Klafter; and sixth graders Jared Snipes, Mary Mitchell and Ross Mitchell pack the books.

Pointing the way to Montclair State

Twenty-four signs pointing the way to Montclair State have been installed on local roadways in Essex and Passaic counties, according to Kathy Monteiro of Architectural and Engineering Services. The signs are red with white lettering.

Eight Passaic County signs, which are 3-by-3-feet, include Yogi Berra Stadium and Museum, and Floyd Hall Ice Arena. The 15 Essex County signs are 2-by-2-feet and list only the University.

Monteiro said the University soon will be seeking approval from the New Jersey State Department of Transportation for signage on the Garden State Parkway.

Spanning the University

Commencement set for May 22 at Meadowlands

This year's commencement exercises will be held Monday, May 22, in the Continental Airlines Arena at the Meadowlands Sports Complex in East Rutherford. The procession will begin at 9:45 a.m. followed by the ceremony at 10:30 a.m.

France honors Yogi Berra for D-Day service

Yogi Berra was awarded the French Medale de Jubile for his service in the U.S. Navy during the D-day invasion of Normandy on June 6, 1944. France continues to honor former American soldiers who helped free them from occupation by Nazi Germany. More than 30 veterans attended the Feb. 14 ceremony honoring the 74-year-old Berra at the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center on campus. He was presented the medal by retired Gen. Al Ungerleider, president of the U.S. World War II Wall of Liberty Foundation. Ungerleider also took part in the invasion.

Berra, who served in the Navy from 1943-45, was a gunner on a ship 300 yards off Omaha Beach. He also took part in anti-aircraft defense to protect the Army troops as they breached the German defenses ashore.

Berra received an honorary degree from Montclair State in 1996.

Retired Gen. Al Ungerleider, president of the U.S. World War II Wall of Liberty Foundation, pins the French Medale de Jubile on Yogi Berra for his service in the Navy during the D-day invasion of Normandy, while Dave Kaplan, executive director of the Yogi Berra Museum, looks on.

Student's photography captures top award

Graduate student Melissa Maciag won the top award, $1,500, in the American Society of Media Photographers, New Jersey (ASMP-NJ) chapter, 1999 Scholarship Competition for her series of images satirizing the hypocrisy of the fashion industry.

Thirty-one students competed to receive one of three awards.

Maciag earned an undergraduate degree at the School of Visual Arts in New York and teaches elementary grades and special education in Jersey City.

"I create all the intricately assembled ensembles for my models, using disparate and distinctly unglamorous materials in order to expose aspects of the beauty [fashion] myth," Maciag told *Exposure*, the ASMP-NJ newsletter. "The models are clad in vests of hot dogs or peanuts, they sport hair laced with banana peels and sunbathe in tea-bag bikinis."

Maciag said her choice of ordinary locations for the images "underscores fashion's artificiality and the impossibility of the perfection it depicts."

Exhibits of her work have been mounted in Hoboken's Liquid Gallery, the Visual Arts Gallery in Soho, the Manhattan Art Directors Club, the Viva Galeria in Manhattan and as part of a group show held at the School of Visual Arts.

New faces on campus

Montclair State University is welcoming several new members to the campus community:

- **Susan Skalsky,** director of the Health and Wellness Center
- **Esmiloda Abreu,** director of the Women's Center
- **Keith Phillips,** associate athletic director for development

University celebrates affirmative action

For the first time, a flag celebrating affirmative action was raised outside the Student Center, marking the University's commitment to the mission and goals of affirmative action.

The flag-raising event took place Feb. 24, the National Day of Action in Defense of Integration and Affirmative Action.

Dr. Tina Jacobowitz of the Department of Reading and Educational Media, who chairs the President's Commission on Affirmative Action, called it a historic day at Montclair State. "We are raising a brand new flag in our first-time celebration of affirmative action on our campus," she said. "We plan to continue celebrating and fighting for affirmative action in the years to come."

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By Father Arthur Frank Humphrey '95 M.A.

On Nov. 4, 1999, after a valiant battle with bone cancer, Father Thomas E. Davis, Catholic chaplain and founder of the Newman Catholic Center, died, and with him a wonderful part of Montclair State. He was 76 years old.

Ordained a priest on June 11, 1949, Father Davis was invited in 1950 to serve as a guest lecturer at Montclair State Teachers College. He later met with then President E. deAlton Partridge, who asked him to serve as a part-time Catholic chaplain.

Father Davis served from his parish at Immaculate Conception in Montclair. After a number of years, increased parish duties caused Father Davis to step back from campus life.

In 1967 the college sought the help of full-time chaplains. Then President Tom Richardson asked Father Davis to once again join Montclair State. Father Davis felt the only way to have an authentic presence on campus was with a building that could operate as an independent Catholic Center and chaplain residence. When the home at 894 Valley Road went up for sale, legend has it that Father Davis sat the greater part of one day outside the archbishop's office before permission was given to purchase the residence.

Father Davis shared the title of full-time campus chaplain with Rabbi Jeshaia Schnitzer and the Rev. John Harms. Their interfaith ministry grew into lifelong friendships.

Into a largely male area of Catholic Ministry, Father Davis brought religious Sisters to Montclair to share that ministry and give it a balanced approach.

In early 1975, Father Davis was appointed pastor of Saint Paul Church, Greenville, Jersey City, and in 1977 he received an honorary doctorate from Montclair State. From 1978 until his retirement in 1993 he served as pastor of Ascension Parish, New Milford. He loved being invited to social affairs where he could talk with his Montclair friends and Newman students.

A tree will be planted in Father Davis' memory on the Alumni Green as the Catholic Campus Ministry celebrates its 50th Anniversary. A dedication ceremony is tentatively planned for Saturday, May 6, after lunch on Alumni Weekend. Donations can be sent to: Newman Catholic Center, Newman Center-Davis, 894 Valley Road, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043-2116.

To communicate with the Alumni Relations Office concerning any or all of the following (unless otherwise noted), send mail to MSU Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; phone 973-655-4141; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.

Alumni Weekend set for May 6

Alumni Weekend is right around the corner. If you are a member of a graduating class ending in 0 or 5, you should have received an invitation for the fun and excitement of Alumni Weekend to be held Saturday, May 6. If you have not yet received an invitation, call the Alumni Office. We look forward to seeing you there.

Get ready to splash into summer

Summer Splash—the annual summer reunion of the most recent alumni—will take place Saturday, June 10, at Bar "A" Anticipation in Belmar, N.J. Everyone who graduated since 1995 will receive an invitation to celebrate with fellow alumni, so get out your sunglasses and get ready for Summer Splash 2000.

Career building help available

Remember your undergraduate days and the challenges you experienced in selecting a career? Consider the astonishing changes in the world of work today and you can understand the uncertainty and confusion experienced by both students and alumni when making career decisions. As a result, the Alumni Association and Career Development have set up the Career Contact Network, a Web-based networking system that puts alumni in touch with current students and other alumni.

Alumni who act as Career Contact Network consultants allow students to inquire, by telephone or e-mail, about the nature of their work. When consultants share their expertise, it allows students to gather firsthand information about an occupational area.

To visit the Career Contact Network, (a part of Jobtrak, a national, Web-based job listing service):

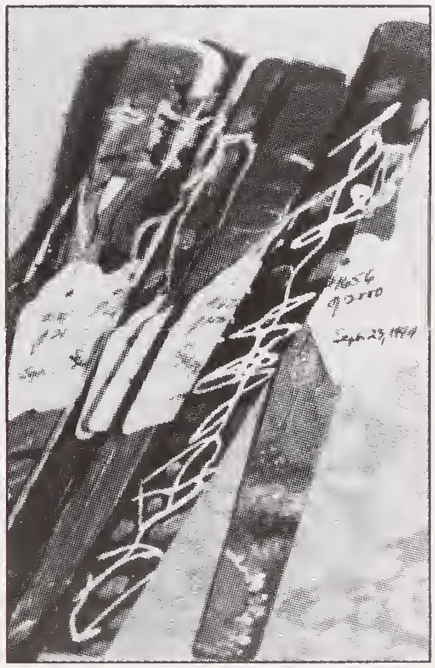
1. Go to Jobtrak at www.jobtrak.com.
2. Scroll down to Career Contact Network and click on it.
3. Click on "register" and follow the instructions.

And don't forget to check out Jobtrak, which lists positions nationwide. Go to the Career Development home page for password information for JobTrak at www.montclair.edu/Pages/CareerServices/Career.html.

While you are there, learn how to get your password for College Central, a regional Web-based job listing system supported by the Alumni Association.

In-gathering of paint stirrers

Since his arrival in September 1998, David Cole, husband of MSU President Susan A. Cole, has been distributing his artistic paint stirrers to campus visitors. The colorful, one-of-a-kind stirrers will now be part of an exhibit of David's work titled "In-gathering: An Installation." The exhibit will be at the University Gallery from May 22 through July 21. Stirrer owners are encouraged to come to the opening reception, Monday, May 22, from 1 to 4 p.m. to personally hang the stirrer in the exhibit. Those who cannot attend can mail the stirrer to the University Gallery. A return address is requested as all stirrers will be returned at the end of the exhibit.



Looking for memorabilia

The Office of Alumni Relations is looking to expand its collection of memorabilia from Montclair State throughout its 92-year history. If you have items you no longer wish to keep—such as yearbooks, photos, any Montclair memorabilia or dinks—Alumni Relations would be happy to add them to its collection, which is housed on the first floor of the Alumni House for visitors to view and enjoy.

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E. Alma Flagg

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E. Alma Flagg M.A. read from and signed copies of her most recent book, *Lines, Colors, and More… A Commemorative Edition of the Poems of E. Alma Flagg*, at the University Bookstore in February. She is the wife of the late Thomas Flagg, a longtime Montclair State professor of education. In 1964 Alma Flagg became the first African-American principal at Hawkins Street School in Newark and in 1967 new ground was broken with her appointment as assistant superintendent in charge of curriculum services. The E. Alma Flagg School in Newark is named in her honor. She has published three other books of poetry: *Lines and Colors: Twenty-One Poems; Feelings, Lines, Colors;* and *Twenty More with Thought and Feeling*.

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Barbara Bonsper Butkus ('52 M.A.) received the Woman of Excellence Award in recognition of her active involvement in volunteer activities in the Huron, Ohio community. Among her many other activities, she is a charter member of the Huron Civic Club, serving as the parliamentarian and historian for 1999-2000. She retired in July 1997 after 36 years of teaching in New Jersey and Ohio.

David Hart ('57 M.A.) and his wife, Dr. Marilyn Hart, were presented the Mabel Young Good Neighbor Award for 1999 at the November meeting of the Mountainside Council. The purpose of the award is to "salute a member or members of the community who have made outstanding contributions for the betterment and welfare of Mountainside."

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Robert J. O'Dell received a citation of appreciation from the Montclair State University Panzer Alumni Association.

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Ronald J. Frederick M.A. has retired as principal of Indian Hills High School in Oakland. He had been principal at Indian Hills for 15 years and had been in education for more than 40 years.

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Joan Gethard Burke ('64 M.A.) has been named assistant professor of math and computer science at Caldwell College.

Dominick Ferrara was installed as the new president of the Bloomfield UNICO. He has served with the organization for 20 years.

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Richard Kirk has been named assistant administrator for the Allendale Community for Mature Living. He will be responsible for assisting the administrator in day-to-day operations of The Atrium, the Community's residence for independent seniors.

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Warren Farrell's *Women Can't Hear What Men Don't Say* was a December 1999 Book-of-the-Month Club selection and will be a selection of the Quality Paperback Book Club. He was selected for *Who's Who in America* and *Who's Who in the World*, and also chosen to be a regular participant in the Renaissance Weekends. He lives in Encinitas, Calif.

Art Krupp was named teacher of the month in December at the Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark. He teaches honors math analysis and calculus, as well as SAT prep classes. He also coaches girls' basketball at Kumpf Middle School.

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Don Doolittle ('72 M.A.) has retired after 33 years of teaching and coaching at Pascack Valley Regional High School. He also served as the audiovisual coordinator at the school from 1984 to 1994. During the summer months from 1981 to 1997 he worked as an electronic technician at ABC Television Studios in New York City. His wife, **Vivian Fontana Doolittle '67**, continues to teach health and physical education at George C. White Middle School in Hillsdale.

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Jeanne Oppel is the new assistant principal at Bloomfield High School.

Patricia Tesman

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Patricia Tesman is the vice president of Gianettino & Meredith Advertising in Short Hills. She received the 1999 American Cancer Society Volunteer of the Year Award.

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Edward J. Obuchowski has been named senior vice president responsible for implementation of the advanced distribution network of Alliant Foodservice, Inc.

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Alphonse Dattolo ('79 M.A.) is a language instructor for the Glen Rock Middle School. He completed his 5,000th consecutive workday without an absence since he began teaching in 1972. He taught first in Passaic County, then in Bergen County. He received praise from the Glen Rock Education Association and the New Jersey Education Association, noting his achievement.

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Walter C. Miller M.A., director of the Student Union at the University of New Mexico, was named chairperson-elect of the Albuquerque Convention and Visitors Bureau Board of Directors. He has been a member of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses Association since 1986 and has been a resident of Albuquerque since 1994.

Volia "Vi" Shipley M.A. exhibited her paintings at the Atrium Gallery at the Bergen County Y in Washington Township.

James M. Higgins

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James M. Higgins was appointed executive vice president, general manager at United Stations Radio Networks in New York. He will continue to oversee the ad sales strategy for the nation's largest independently owned and operated radio network, in addition to developing new revenue opportunities and business properties for the company.

Mary-Justyne Kolba ('77 M.A.) served on the Nominating Committee for the 6th Annual Screen Actors Guild Awards and attended the Awards Ceremony and Post Awards Gala in March at the Los Angeles Shrine Exposition.

Richard Nicoletti has joined Duke Energy North America as their California regional business manager. He is responsible for the development, implementation and management of the business and financial systems necessary to support the company's California operations.

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Lise Greene, executive assistant to the president at Montclair State University, earned a Ph.D. in higher education administration from New York University. The title of her dissertation was "African-Americans at Montclair State Teachers College 1927 to 1957: An Oral History Analysis."

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Deborah Gerdes McFadden ('80 M.A.) received licensure as a professional counselor from the State of New Jersey. She has been a counselor at Sussex County Community College since 1987.

David Ottavino M.A. is leaving as head of the American School in Milan to head the Canadian Academy in Kobe, Japan. His wife, **Catherine '77 M.A.**, will be a guidance counselor at the school.

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Charles P. Abraham, a member of the trusts and estates department of Pitney, Hardin, Kipp & Szuch LLP, has been named counsel to the firm.

Cheryl Van Sicklen Clinch is the assistant director of enrollment marketing for Marian Court College in Swamscott, Mass.

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Lois Denmark received a B.P.S./M.S. degree in acupuncture from Pacific College of Oriental Medicine in New York City. She is a board certified licensed acupuncturist in New York and New Jersey.

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Robin Muccio Harvan is involved in the development of a new health science center at the decommissioned Fitzsimmons Army Medical Center in Aurora Colo. It is part of her responsibilities as director of the first campus-wide Office of Education at the University of Colorado Health Science Center.

Lauire McMulty-Bird ('96 M.A.) works at Jefferson School in Summit as a resource room teacher.

Kenneth Walsh, an ordained minister in the Reformed Church of America, was profiled in the *Sarasota Herald Tribune* for his work as director of the Charlotte County HIV/AIDS Network, a local organization that deals with the epidemic.

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Beverly Boyarsky has been the manager of global communications and spokesperson for Underwriters Laboratories in Melville, N.Y. for five years, in addition to running her own public relations consulting company, BLB Communication.

Ronald Naples was honored as a distinguished teacher by New York University where he had been an adjunct since 1992. The award is presented to faculty members who show deep concern for student growth and development made manifest by continuing self-study, long hours of classroom preparation and a creative talent for communicating enthusiasm for the subject matter.

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Luciano Corea is the city administrator of Cape May.

Janet Gough is the author of *Write It Down: Tools and Guidance for Preparing Documents that Meet Regulatory Requirements*, published by Interpharm Press. The work is a writer's handbook for professionals in the pharmaceutical industry who must prepare documents to satisfy the requirements of the Food and Drug Administration. She teaches select ESL courses at Seton Hall University and is a consultant to the pharmaceutical industry. She traveled to Arica, Chile, in October to present a paper at Tarapaca University. She is working on a series of four books on quality auditing to be published by Serentec Press.

Judith Stegmaier Nappi ('92 M.A.) was featured in the *Verona-Cedar Grove Times*, discussing her philosophy in her first year as principal of Cedar Grove High School.

Barbara Pinelli-McDonough has been awarded a grant by the Woodbridge Township Education Foundation. The grant, titled "Voting—Grammar School Style," will help teach students in grades K-8 how the president is elected. She teaches grades five and six social studies and is department chair.

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Oliver W. Stringham M.A. has completed his doctorate in administration and supervision at Seton Hall University.

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Richard Demarest is the dean of St. Michael's Cathedral in Boise, Idaho.

Edward J. Grabowiecki has been promoted to vice president and controller of Suburban Propane Partners, LP.

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Allison Boucher has joined William Paterson University as director of Employee Relations.

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Tim Dagradi was named director of programming at Citizens Television (CTV) in New Haven, Conn. CTV is an educational and public access facility serving the greater New Haven community.

Eileen M. O'Connor has been appointed vice president for investor relations with Arrow Electronics, Inc. She also serves as vice president and secretary of the New York chapter of the National Investor Relations Institute.

William C. Vantuono M.A. has been named chief editor of *Railway Age*, the world's oldest published transportation trade magazine.

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Edith "Edie" Weinthal M.A. is the district humanities supervisor of the Pascack Valley Regional High School district in Hillsdale. She has completed her doctoral dissertation and defense, and will be awarded a Ph.D. in English from Drew University. She has presented numerous papers at the National Council of Teachers of English national and international conferences, most recently in Bordeaux, France and Denver, Colo.

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Eugene P. Bloch is the assignment manager for CNNfn, the financial news network in New York.

Frank J. Borao, M.D., and his wife, an obstetrician and gynecologist, are opening a private practice in Long Branch. Borao completed a general surgery residency at Monmouth Medical Center and Newark Beth Israel in 1999, and entered a fellowship in advanced laparoscopic surgery at the Institute for Minimally Invasive Surgery-New York Medical College.

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Michele Weitz has accepted the position of clinical compliance manager at Roche Bioscience, transferring to Palo Alto, Calif. Prior to relocating, she worked for 10 years at Hoffman-La Roche in Nutley, most recently as an international clinical quality assurance auditor.

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Caroline Brizzolara M.A., who was admitted to the New Jersey Bar, has become an associate with the law firm of Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti LLP in Morristown. Previously, she was a visual arts instructor at Saint Dominic Academy in Jersey City, and a teacher of fine arts and English at Bishop Ahr High School in Edison.

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F. Allen Artz III M.A., organist and director of music at the Church of Our Lady of Sorrows in South Orange, performed an organ concert on the Schantz pipe organ at St. Cassian's Church in Upper Montclair. He has performed

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recitals in several Midwestern and Northeastern states, and in England.

Beth Budelman has been named media supervisor by DKB and Partners, one of New Jersey's leading advertising and public relations firms.

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Kimberly Kerkowski is working for Merrill Lynch.

Hanna R. Toribio is a Navy Seaman aboard the guided-missile destroyer USS Benfold (DDG 65). She plays a vital role aboard the San Diego-based warship, maintaining and preserving the ship's surfaces and deck equipment.

Hanna R. Toribio

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Fernando Barboto signed a one-year contract to remain with the North Jersey Imperials of the United Soccer League.

Andrew Maira is head baseball coach and peer group adviser at John F. Kennedy High School in Paterson, where he recently received tenure.

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Sophia Anastasia performed Mozart's "Flute Concerto in G Major" with the South Orange Symphony at South Orange Middle School. In 1998, she was a winner of the Greek Women's University Club Music Competition in Chicago. She also performed her New York debut recital at Weill Recital Hall as a winner of the Artists International flute award.

Megan Connolly M.A.T. has joined the Linden Avenue School in Glen Ridge as a second grade teacher.

Jason Davidson, co-founder of Mad Hatters, a Verona-based balloon sculpture and entertainment company, performed for children at a taping of the "Rosie O'Donnell Show."

Thomas W. Sebok is an assistant vice president with Chase Manhattan Bank in Hillside.

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Lisa M. Bechtel M.A. is a student assistance counselor at Newton High School, where she has been employed as a social studies teacher for 11 years.

Denise C. Coleman a Navy Seaman Recruit, recently completed U.S. Navy basic training at Recruit Training Command, in Great Lakes, Ill.

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Albert Piotrowski is a science teacher at Chatham High School

Letters

Dear Editor:

It was gratifying to learn from the tribute to Laurence Conrad in the last issue ["For faculty, the giving never ends"] that he was considered to be a wonderful teacher in 1961. My classmates and I made the same judgment more than 20 years earlier.

I was in Professor Conrad's American Literature class in 1938, and have always rated him my favorite college instructor. He had a scholar's knowledge of his field; as a teacher, he was sensitive, witty and completely natural in his presentation. His reading of Whitman's *Out of the Cradle Endlessly Rocking* was absolutely beautiful. I have never read nor heard the poem since then without recalling the occasion and the teacher.

When needed he gave us a grammar lesson. A memorable one—remember, this was 1938. To illustrate correct usage of a series of periods as punctuation, he told a short anecdote of a boy/girl date, ending:

"Come in for a while; it's still early," she said.

"And now I belong to you utterly, dear," she said, as the morning sun streamed in the window.

Yes, Laurence Conrad was a wonderful teacher.

Lucille McHenry Noel '40
Bethesda, Md.

Dear Editor:

It was with great interest that I read the article on MSU's New Jersey School of Conservation ["School of Conservation celebrates 50th year," fall 1999]. I was at Montclair when that camp was opened and was one of the students who helped open the facility. If I remember correctly, it was an old CCC camp and needed quite a bit of work to make it habitable. We cleaned, carried mattresses, went on hikes and generally made a great memory. I seem to remember that the Coast Guard also was involved in setting up the camp. Of course, Marie Kuhnen was the overseer of the whole operation. What a thrill to see her picture. She is certainly a woman for whom I have always had great admiration.

Christine Bertsch Sheridan '52 '71 M.A.
Jamul, Calif.

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School of Business earns accreditation

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year of operation. "It also validates the excellence of our faculty, who are regarded as experts in their fields and are seen as potential partners in professional project development."

Currently, the School of Business has 63 full-time faculty, almost 1,300 undergraduate students and 300 graduate students.

In 1992 the School formally entered into AACSB candidacy status and, in August 1999, submitted a two-volume self-evaluation report. In February, the AACSB sent a visiting team to campus for a three-day inspection. The team included school of business deans from the University of Dayton, the University of North Florida and Tennessee Technological University. "This was an experienced team," said Oppenheim. "They were professional and extremely thorough."

Oppenheim explained that the accreditation process is a rigorous review of the school's mission and objectives, and how effectively those are met. At Montclair State, business students are well aware of that mission, which is detailed in a Strategic Charter that also includes the School's educational philosophy, vision and core strategies. The Charter hangs on bulletin boards throughout the School and is outlined in brochures about the various programs.

"The accreditation process literally transformed the School," Oppenheim said. "We had to look at disciplines as a whole and measure everything against this external benchmark. It also prompted the faculty to have constant conversations about measures and standards. It was a beneficial experience all around." ◆

Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

News about graduates of Panzer College, 1917-1964

Bill Kirchner '32 and wife, Betty, have moved to Palm Desert, Calif. where they are enjoying their new home located closer to their children. Bill sends best wishes to those who attended the April "last" reunion.

Dorothy Almond Sutton '34 took a trip to California to share a special moment with her granddaughter who received a doctorate in psychology from the U.S. International University in San Diego. Dot wasn't home for long before taking off to West Virginia to spend the holidays with her family.

John Mullen '49, now retired, was superintendent in the Jefferson Township school system and superintendent of the Enlarged City School District of Auburn N.Y. John now resides in Palm Coast, Fla. where, over the years, he and his son have built 400 homes and 300 pools.

Ed Bradley '50 sends regrets at not being able to attend the April reunion with fellow "Panzerties." He and his wife, Ellie, were at their daughter's wedding in Hawaii. Regrets? Hmmmm!

Luciann Keczmerski Slomkowski '57 and husband, Ed, recently cruised from Los Angeles down the coast of Mexico through the Panama Canal to South America and then to Fort Lauderdale before heading home to Pawleys Island, S.C. One of the many highlights was going through the canal with the Battleship New Jersey.

Carol McKenzie McInnis '59 and husband, **Paul, '59** are almost in their Prince Edward Island home, but snow, snow and more snow is a deterrent. Paul is an office goal judge for the New Jersey Devils home games. Keeping athletics in the family, one of their daughters is a figure skating pro at the Bridgewater Ice Rink.

Ruby Arvanetes McCraken '59, now residing in California, was a proud mom as her son exchanged wedding vows with a beautiful Japanese exchange student. Congratulations to all.

I am especially proud to write the following because it is about one of my high school teachers:

"Mrs. Murgatroyd," "Miss Pfftt" or "June." At the senior day care center and the nursing home on Cape Cod, **June Brickman '49** will answer to any one of these citations.

From one to three days a week, June and her alter-egos perform at the center and day care, much to the joy of the residents and staff members.

"Mrs. Murgatroyd," an elderly British lady with an "off key," high-pitched voice, flies in on her motorized broomstick from all over the world. Her only purpose is entertaining friends with songs and jovial skits while dressed in outrageous clothing and wigs.

"Miss Pfftt" sits in a wheelchair dressed in short shorts and an oversized emblem T-shirt. She is now ready to lead the residents in an exercise routine or skit.

"June" is a do-everything gal. When in the volunteer mode, she pushes wheelchairs, runs errands, publishes a newsletter and organizes programs. She also takes photos and shoots videos that are made into a program for the residents. Using her artistic talents, she makes birthday cards and posters to put a smile on the many faces she visits each week.

Nina Liss, another tireless volunteer, completes the creative duo. Nina's interpretive piano accompaniment and her beautiful singing voice bring that special touch to the program. Much time, thought and work go into all they create to bring happiness into so many lives.

In Memoriam

Mamie Greenberg '28
Samuel Schey '31
Ralph D'Andrea '42
Leo Pearl '43
Barney Sahagian '49

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Engagements

Gary J. Borges '93 to MaryLynn Saoud

Janene Criscione '94 to Ivan Kaplan

Patti Aleksandrowicz '94 to Dan Moroses

Christine A. Wurch '94 to Scott Farnsworth

Cathy Chavez '95 to Pete Goldsmith

Trish Brasch '96 to Wayne Eckert

Melanie Canter '96 to **Brian Jude Piatkowski '95**

Marriages

Joan Preztunik '82 to **Andrew J. Pavlica '83** on Dec. 17

Kelly A. Brooman '89 to **John C. Rossetto '88** on Oct. 29

Eugene P. Bloch '90 to Jennifer Kahn Zeidman

Emilie Malich '91 to Anthony Barros on July 31

Amy Beck '93 to **Thomas Dunbar '96**

Jennifer Zeppi '94 to **Michael Crudele '94** on Dec. 18

Dylan M. Preziosi '94 to Melissa Ann Falkowski on Aug. 14

Herilaine Silva '95 to **Pedro Casais '95** in May 1999

Jennifer Boehm '96 to Art Thompson on May 22, 1999

Jennifer Lesser '98 to **Joshua Nowack '97** in March 1999

Tom Tracey '98 to Kathleen Pecinci on Sept. 26, 1998

Births

To **Susan Enderly-Peracchio '85** and, John Peracchio, a son, James Christian, born Jan. 10. He joins a brother, John, and two sisters, Danielle and Taylor.

To **Randi Lampert Yanow '90** and Mitchell Yanow, twin boys, Tyler Matthew and Joshua Braedon, born Oct. 12.

To **Andrea Marrone-Lowndes '92** and Gregory Lowndes, a daughter, Camryn Marrone Lowndes, born Aug. 29.

To **Kimberly Russell-McGowen '94** and **Vincent McGowen '92 '96 M.A.T.**, a daughter, Sydney Marie, born July 26.

To **Stacie M. Nagy De Lorenzo '93** and **Marc M. De Lorenzo '93**, a daughter, Julia Rose, born Nov. 24

In Memoriam

Gladys Lefferson Brower '25
Elvera De Muth Perkins '26
Rica Hertlein Haveron '26
Marie Schieferly Egan '27
Grace Brechin Connery '28
Frieda Donn Zark '29
Hannah Ginsberg Litzky '33
Carol Kotwica Faltings '37
Winnie Martia Epple '37
Martha Van Dyke Van Hoff '38
Francis E. Boccia '40
Dorothy Van Duyne Fisher '40
Isabel Pleune '40
Gordon MacLeod Taylor '40
Cecilia DeCarlo DeFuria '41
Michael Joyce '41
William Krautblatt '41 M.A.
Ralph D'Andrea '42
Grace Decker Church '43
Lillian Fischbach Tuschmann '43
Celeste Engel Mendes '44 '48 M.A.
Henry Helstoski ' 47 '49 M.A.
George Harriston '49
Joyce Mayforth Placek '49 '55 M.A.
Malcolm Breithaupt '50 M.A.
Robert Lozak '50
Frederick S. Nobbs '50 '51 M.A.
Edward R. Pruzinsky '50 '54 M.A.
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Jack R. Waddon '51 '53 M.A.
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Charlotte Pritchard '57 M.A.
Mario Alia '58
Joseph B. Garvey '59 M.A.
Marion Schmidt Berkowitz '60 M.A.
Joseph Kordys '60 M.A.
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Alphonse C. Falco '62 M.A.
Deborah Tauben Weiss '62
Louis Scrittorale '63 M.A.
Beverly Quinn McHugh '67
Karen Miller Rieman '67
Diane Burcher '69 '75 M.A.
Robert James '71 '73 M.A.
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Ruth L. Williamson '73 M.A.
Edward F. DiChiera '74 M.A.
Sharon Fetsko Lynch '74 '75 M.A.
George Macaluso, Jr. '74
Jonas W. Cowles , Sr. '75
George N. Hajjar '75
Paul Matchok '75
Brian Warne '75
Anthony Baldassarre '79
Arquimedes "Arky" Martinez '83
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William H. Van Wienen '90

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Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this winter:

Men's Basketball (20-8, 11-7 NJAC)

ECAC Division III Metro Champions

The team recorded one of its finest seasons, posting a 20-8 mark and capturing its first-ever Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Metro Championship. The season began with plenty of promise as MSU opened the year with five straight wins for the first time since 1983-84. Under the guidance of Head Coach Ted Fiore, the Red Hawks qualified for the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Playoffs, their first appearance since 1995, and for the fourth straight year were selected to the ECAC Division III Metro Championship. In the ECACs, third-seeded Montclair defeated the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy and New Jersey City University to advance to the title game for the second consecutive year. In the championship contest, things appeared bleak as MSU trailed Richard Stockton 67-64 with three seconds remaining. Needing a miracle, the Red Hawks got one as senior Mike Bult successfully launched a 70-foot desperation shot, sending the game into overtime. In the extra session, Bult, named ECAC Tournament Most Valuable Player, scored seven of Montclair's 11 points as the Red Hawks notched a 78-75 win and the ECAC title. Senior guard B.J. Reilly became the 20th player in MSU history to reach the 1,000-point plateau. Reilly was named Second-Team All-NJAC while teammate Jermel Mayo was chosen as the conference's Defensive Player of the Year. Coach Fiore was selected NJAC Coach of the Year after leading the Red Hawks to their first 20-win season since 1983-84.

Women's Basketball (10-14, 8-10 NJAC)

With nine new faces, including several freshmen, the Red Hawks struggled throughout the season, finishing below the .500 mark for the first time since 1984-85. Montclair began the year losing its first five games, but the team, led by Head Coach Gloria Bradley, made a comeback in early January winning seven of 10 contests. Junior Marlena Lawrence proved once again that she was among the elite players in the league and was named Second-Team All-NJAC, leading the conference in blocked shots. The 6-1 forward led Montclair in scoring and rebounding, and is within 13 points of becoming the 10th female player in MSU history to reach the 1,000 point mark when the 2000-2001 season begins in November.

Wrestling (16-3-1)

Florian Ghinea and Dominic Dellagatta took home individual national titles at the NCAA Championships. For Ghinea, it was his second title in three years. The junior was the top seed at 141 pounds and, after reaching the finals, capped off his year with a 7-4 in the championship match to finish 36-1. Dellagatta won his second straight national title, this one at 165 pounds, as he finished the year at 36-2. Dellagatta was victorious at the finals, 8-5, giving MSU its 26th NCAA individual national champion, a Division III record. Sophomore Rami Ratel came within one victory of his own title, losing 7-3 in the finals but posting a 40-1 mark. Freshman Brad Christie went 40-3 and finished fifth at the NCAA Championships. The Red Hawks finished third at the NCAAs and all four wrestlers earned All-American status. The Red Hawks captured the Metropolitan Conference Championships for the second straight year, with Ghinea being named the Outstanding Wrestler and Head Coach Steve Strellner named Metropolitan Coach of the Year for the third straight time.

Indoor Track and Field

Head coach Bennie Benson's team literally was off and running as the Red Hawks posted another successful season. Montclair sent five representatives to the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Championships in March led by All-American Janice Brenner, who finished fifth in the 55-meter hurdles (8.19) to earn All-American honors. Freshman Alex Yalj placed seventh in the high jump (5 feet, 5 inches). Those performances helped the MSU women to a 34th place finish at the NCAAs.

On the men's side, Darryl Louis (8th in the 400 meters), Alex Torres (7th in the 400 meters/7th in the high jump) and Tom Baldwin (11th in the 1,500 meters) qualified for the championship meet, but each came up short in their bids. At the NJAC Championships the men finished in second place while the women took third. Baldwin was named the Outstanding Male Track Athlete as he set an NJAC and University record in the 1,500 with a time of 3:56.42. Louis and Torres were second and third, respectively, in the 400 meters posting the fourth and sixth fastest times in Division III. Louis also won the 200 meters and joined Theo Ames (60 meters), Ed Wheeler (long jump) and Carvel Silveria (800 meters) as NJAC champions. All six were named to the NJAC's All-Conference team.

In the women's competition, Brenner earned a second straight Outstanding Female Track Athlete award and Yalj was chosen the Outstanding Field Athlete.

Swimming and Diving (Women 8-7, 2-2 NJAC/Men 6-8)

Competing against one of the toughest schedules in Head Coach Brian McLaughlin's 11 years at Montclair State, the Red Hawks combined for a 14-15 record. The women's team recorded its third straight winning season finishing 8-7. The team finished third at the Metropolitan Conference Swimming and Diving Championships and were led by senior Joanne Fusco, co-recipient of the Dick Krepcki Award given to the Outstanding Senior Swimmer. Teammate Michelle DeFreese provisionally qualified for the NCAAs. Both were named to the NJAC All-Conference team.

On the men's side, Montclair performed well down the stretch winning three of its last four meets to finish 6-8. MSU placed fifth at the Metropolitan Conference Championships. ◆

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NCAA Photos

Red Hawks capture World Series... *Capping a storybook season and completing the greatest comeback these championships have ever seen, Montclair State defeated the University of St. Thomas (Minn.) twice to claim the 2000 NCAA Baseball Championship trophy. For a complete sports wrap-up, see page 24.*

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One artist's call for freedom

MARIA INCARDONA '00

Lorenzo Pace has been leaving his mark on the art world for more than three decades. Whether he's painting, woodcarving or sculpting, Pace is often inspired by political and social issues. But it was his family's direct link to slavery that captured the essence of his latest creation, a four-story monument called "Triumph of the Human Spirit."

Sitting in his office in the Montclair State art gallery, where he has been director for 12 years, Pace begins to share an emotional story about his family's history and how it ties in with the monument.

"It all started when my father passed away in 1991," said the 56-year-old Pace. "After the funeral, my Uncle Julius presented me with an iron lock that held my great-great-grandfather, Steve Pace, in bondage as a

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Comment

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.

Alumni Association President

I had the honor of participating in two significant events at the University this year—Alumni Weekend and commencement. Both occasions are natural times for reflection and celebration. As I brought greetings at commencement on behalf of the 80,000 alumni to the newly minted alumni, over 3,000 strong, I was reassured that the future of Montclair State and the Alumni Association will remain in capable hands.

Alumni Weekend convinced me that we are on the right track, but there is still more to be done. We want to involve more alumni in programming and in returning to their alma mater. As I celebrated my 30th reunion with my classmates, we talked about how much has changed. But Montclair State University is, and always will remain, a vital part of our past and our future. In this tradition, the Alumni Association sponsored quite a few events this year. Here are some of the highlights:

Jackals game: Last summer's second annual Alumni Night with the Jackals was a great family event that attracted a wide range of alumni. This year's Jackals event is planned for Aug. 18.

Moving-in day: Members of the Alumni Association, the Student Alumni Council and the Alumni Office staff came to campus the day new freshmen arrived and distributed candy, water and well wishes to MSU's future alumni.

Inauguration: President Susan A. Cole was inaugurated as Montclair State's eighth president in September. The Association sponsored a breakfast for former Montclair State presidents and I brought greetings on behalf of the Alumni Association.

Homecoming: One of the goals of the Homecoming committee is to more actively involve the Alumni Association in activities. Without a doubt, the highlight of the day was the rededication of the Life Hall plaque. Don't miss Homecoming 2000 on Oct. 14.

Area receptions: Area receptions were held this year in Washington, D.C., Colorado and Myrtle Beach. These events provide opportunities to network with alumni who are out of the area but want to keep in touch.

Chapters: Alumni chapters allow interest groups to form and act as part of the Association. For more information on forming a chapter, call the Alumni Office.

Scholarships: One of the highlights of each year is the Scholarship Reception held in April. This year $46,000 in awards was given to 36 students.

Student Alumni Council: I met with the Council, which completed its by-laws this year, on several occasions. This is an enthusiastic group of students who will be well prepared to be active alumni.

We are always looking for events that would interest alumni. Send me your ideas. E-mail me at mhait@westwood.k12.nj.us or talk with Alumni Relations staff at 973-655-4141. We hope to see even more enthusiastic alumni at all the events we have planned for the upcoming year.

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President's Message

Dr. Susan A. Cole

The best of the past combined with the exciting potential of the future—that is the heart of the blueprint as we plan the physical development of Montclair State University for the 21st century. We are committed to preserving the historical beauty of our stately campus while we continue to expand its capacity and introduce the new facilities and state-of-the-art technology that is necessary to ensure the quality of our university for the future.

With our expanding student population, our exciting new academic programs and our growing reputation, Montclair State is literally bursting at the seams. To meet our pressing facilities needs, we will begin our long-term physical expansion with three critical new projects: the construction of a modern, high-capacity parking garage, with a new performance space for our exceptional arts programs; the development of high-quality student residence facilities; and the construction of a new academic building that will house the College of Education and Human Services, and modern, high-tech classrooms to be used by all of the University's programs and that will be the campuswide technology hub.

As we begin the intensive period of design, planning and financing of these projects, we will use this opportunity to revitalize the signature Spanish Mission style of the University, back into prominence such historical elements on the campus as the Amphitheater and enhance the green spaces.

During Alumni Weekend, I was delighted to chat with many alumni who had returned to the campus for the first time after many years. They were astonished at the changes and the growth that the University had experienced and even more astonished at what was yet to come. My favorite conversation was with some alumni from a class in the 1940s who were convinced that I must have moved Russ Hall, as it did not seem to be in the place they had remembered. (I assure you, I have not moved Russ Hall.) And, yet, despite all the changes, most alumni thought there was something about the campus that still felt familiar, that felt like the Montclair they remembered and loved. That is the feeling on which we intend to build.

Our campus facilities will continue to develop, but we will be working hard at preserving our heritage and our historic beauty. The Montclair State you love will come with us into the future.

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Alumni Profile

Brenda Paradiso '99

BY BILL VALLADARES

"Mars beckons," Carl Sagan used to say. And last year Earth's outer neighbor summoned Brenda Paradiso '99 through a poster announcing a NASA summer research program at the Jet Propulsion Labs (JPL) in Pasadena, Calif. She accepted the invitation and spent the summer investigating plate tectonics of Mars using Mars Pathfinder surveyor data.

But that's not what was supposed to happen. A geoscience major with an environmental studies concentration, Paradiso already had signed up for a geology camp in Utah when two posters hanging in Mallory Hall caught her eye. One was a call for students to apply to a Summer Institute on Atmospheric and Hydrospheric Sciences at the NASA Goddard Space Flight Center in Maryland, and the other was for the NASA summer program in Pasadena. There was one hitch, though. The application deadline for both programs was in two days.

Geologist Brenda Paradiso '99 gathers rock data from a site in New Jersey.

"These were two opportunities I couldn't pass up, so I scrambled," she said. "I wrote the essays, got my transcripts, asked for three letters of recommendation, then sent everything out via overnight delivery the next day."

A recipient of the 1999 outstanding baccalaureate award in geoscience, Paradiso soon faced another dilemma. To her amazement she was chosen from among applicants across the country to participate in both NASA programs and now had to choose among three internships.

She first withdrew from the geology field school because that was something she could do later. Now she was down to two very different NASA programs. The Goddard Space program was an earth-observing system while the principal objective of the JPL program was to investigate the geology of Mars.

For as far back as she can recall, Paradiso has had a passion for science and astronomy. In college, while her friends were reading up on the latest fashion, hair and music trends, Paradiso was subscribing to *Planetary Report* magazine. Then there's geology.

"I love rocks," she said. "I got interested in geology during a trip across the country. I became fascinated with the earth and had to know why the terrain changed in each region."

Of course there were other perks in the JPL program Paradiso couldn't pass up. "Dr. Matthew Golombek, who was in charge of the Mars Pathfinder Project, would be my mentor," she explained. "This project also was more definitive, included a $200-per-week stipend, airfare, housing at Cal Tech (California Institute of Technology) and a food allowance, so that's the one I accepted."

At JPL, Paradiso classified 3,000 rocks and looked for patterns in certain areas by studying stereoscopic images of Mars. Paradiso explained that Sojourner, a terrain-roving robot, took two identical pictures from different views. Together they created a parallax vision that gave curvature to the images. The Mars Global Surveyor and Viking, two of NASA's systems that orbit the planet, provided images that Paradiso used to identify differences in the plains on Mars.

While she was at Cal Tech, Paradiso also went to the fifth annual International Mars Conference, an event that attracts the world's top scientists in the planetary field. Admission into the conference was nearly $800, so Paradiso found another way to get in the door. "I volunteered to help with the microphones," she said. "It was an amazing event. Those scientists have plans laid out by year right up to a manned Mars mission. But the main topic at the conference was the Mars Polar Lander." Paradiso insists—with a grin—that she had nothing to do with the missing Polar Lander.

Now that she's redirected her sights back to earth, Paradiso is enjoying a successful career as a staff geologist for Converse Consultants, a geo-technical and environmental consulting firm in Parsippany. "As a student I took it upon myself to get involved with as many internships as possible, worked with professors on projects and always asked for more work. That's what prepared me and gave me the confidence to apply to the NASA programs."

There's no doubt that another of Paradiso's passions taught her to think quickly on her feet. She minored in dance. "I did that just for me because it's something I enjoy doing. I keep up with it by taking classes at a local dance school."

Paradiso may take matters into her own hands, but the Totowa resident is emphatic when she says she hasn't gotten to where she is by herself. "The professors at Montclair State pushed me and helped me become self-motivated. I'm especially grateful to Drs. Gregory Pope, Matthew Gorring and Jonathan Lincoln (of Earth and Environmental Studies) for being kind enough to write letters of recommendation for me on such short notice. They helped me to get accepted into those programs."

Graduate school may be in Paradiso's future, and she would eventually like to get into planetary geology. But first she wants to learn more about the earth's system to better compare it to other planets."

Paradiso said her husband, David, supports her career. It's a match made in heaven because he's a geologist, too. They married June 4 and no doubt the couple returned from their honeymoon in France with fond memories and a few rock samples as well.◆

For the love of the game

BY AL LANGER '91 M.A.

It's 9 a.m. on a chilly April morning on the Montclair State campus, and the seats are still wet with dew at Yogi Berra Stadium. The only activity is that of a few maintenance workers sweeping and preparing the stadium for the upcoming daylong baseball double-header. There are also a few coaches walking about the field, checking the grass, the pitching mound and dugouts. Players are not due for another 45 minutes, and the fans not for another three hours.

So then, who are those people on the concourse level with coffee cups in hand, having a thoughtful discussion on where to place their folding table?

They call themselves the Diamond Club, the main support group for Montclair State's baseball team, and they conduct their business as seriously as the starting pitcher for the opening game. The group is unique not so much for its mission to raise funds for the baseball team, but more because of who they are.

Members of the Diamond Club get ready to sell T-shirts before a game. Members include (front row, from left) Sharon Longo, Robbie Wurst, Jodi Schriber, Karen Kuhlmann, Nancy Houser, Danny Geiss; (back row, from left) Frank Longo, Paul Hamman, Brian Ellerson, Carl Houser, Les Schriber, Tim Conway and Cliff Potters.

Congressman William Pascrell, Jr. (8th Dist.) (left), senior first baseman Frank Francia and Head Baseball Coach Norm Schoenig admire the team's National Collegiate Athletic Association national championship trophy.

The Diamond Club is not an organized group of athletic alumni, nor is it a fan group with membership fees and team perks. The Diamond Club is a mom-and-pop operation. Literally. And this Division III college-level parents' group is about as unusual as a grand slam in the bottom of the ninth inning.

The Diamond Club, and others like it that have evolved within the MSU athletic program, began nearly six years ago with the help of enthusiastic sports parents.

"Because Montclair State is a Division III, non-scholarship school with the majority of our athletic rosters comprised of New Jersey students, we thought a parent-support club might work to help generate interest and funds," said Holly Gera, director of Athletics. Modeled after highly successful parent booster clubs at the high school level, the Diamond Club was the first to organize. Others soon followed including football's PAT (Point After Touchdown) Club, the Red Hawk Basketball Club and the soccer Shooters Club. The baseball and football groups have expanded to included former players and general University alumni who are Red Hawk fans. "They took the idea of a parental support group and made it work at the college level, which is difficult to do," Gera said. "This is more sophisticated than a high school bake sale, and all of the teams rely greatly on the parent groups' support."

The Diamond Club, with nearly 30 members, has a president, a treasurer and a fund-raising coordinator, and they probably should appoint a travel agent, since many members of the group follow the team to away games, no matter the distance. This spring, several members attended the Division III World Series tournament in Appleton, Wis., where the Red Hawks earned the national title.

The Club organizes three major fund-raisers a year, with the proceeds paying for much of the team's early spring travel. For the past five years, MSU baseball has had the opportunity to fly to California for a 10- or 11-game schedule, when many other New Jersey schools travel to Florida or the Carolinas. The three functions that help raise most of the money include two beefsteak dinners and a special banquet called the First Pitch Brunch. Throughout the year, there are raffles, and T-shirt and apparel sales, and during the team's last double-header of the season, there is a large picnic. The group has been donating close to $7,000 per year, while the foot-

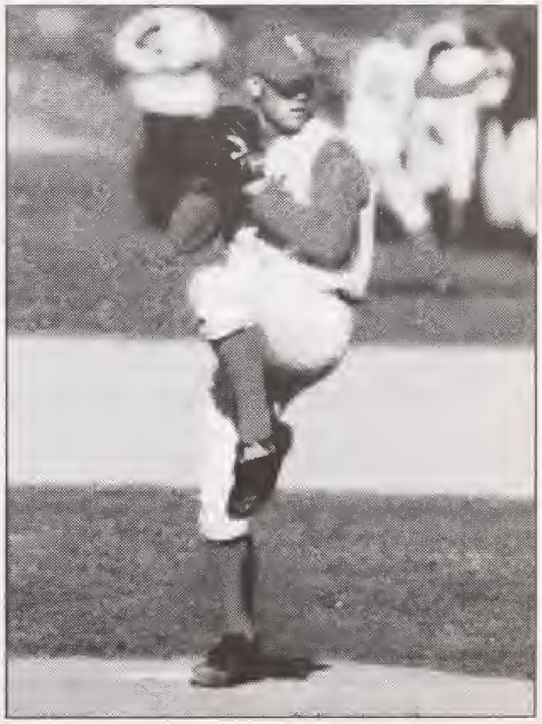
Members of baseball's Diamond Club may be watching a fly ball or contemplating their next fund raiser.

ball parents group total is close to $9,000 annually.

"This is my fifth year as a member of the Diamond Club, and I love every minute of it," said Carl Houser, whose son, Marc, plays outfield. Houser was elected this year to be the group's third president. "It's easy to support your own kid," he said, "but we're here to support all the players."

Assistant Director of Athletics Trude Wolfarth, a 20-year Montclair State veteran, was instrumental in helping parents form the Diamond Club and has worked closely with the parents in the other sports clubs. "It has really been fun getting to know the parents, and through them, getting to know the players," she said. "The enthusiasm from day one has been tremendous, and the opportunity to share with them that enthusiasm, especially concerning their child's athletic career, is something I will always remember."

Bob Wurst, whose son, Dave, is the starting second baseman, said the Diamond Club works because it comes from the heart. "We love to do this," he said. "When I first came here, I was impressed with the parents and their enthusiasm. They help develop a sense of unity, a real sense of helping the team and the program. They recruited me, and now I help recruit other parents. We want this thing to continue long after we're gone." ◆



It was a good year for the Red Hawks as well as Pitcher Greg Belson, who was chosen by the Arizona Diamondbacks in the Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft on June 6. A First-Team All-American selection this year, Belson is the third Red Hawk in three years to be chosen in the draft.

Don't just sit on the sidelines

Red Hawk fans can now be more than spectators, they can be team players, thanks to a new program called Red Hawk Pride. In its inaugural year, Red Hawk Pride gives alumni and friends of Montclair State Athletics the chance to support and enhance the teams by contributing directly to the program. Contributions made through Red Hawk Pride will provide equipment, support team travel, go toward facility upgrades and enhance other athletic projects.

"As you well know, competing and succeeding are two different things," said Associate Athletic Director for Development Keith Phillips. "MSU Athletics prides itself on succeeding at a high level of competition in Division III athletics. From more than 200 All-Americans to three National NCAA Baseball Championships to two National NCAA Team Wrestling Championships, MSU spells success.

"As we look to the future, the cost of competing in Intercollegiate Athletics is on the rise. That's why we developed the Red Hawk Pride program."

For more information or a brochure about Red Hawk Pride, call Phillips at 973-746-0417.

Home is where the heart is

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

Happy to return to her New Jersey roots, Barbara Brummer '68 relaxes with a glass of iced tea in the backyard of her Upper Montclair home.

Barbara Flenner Brummer '68 is happy to be home. For the past two and a half years the New Jersey born and raised native has lived up north, working for Johnson & Johnson as managing director overseeing a $200 million consumer business in Canada. Her responsibilities included marketing, sales, logistics and finance. Brummer returned to her Upper Montclair home as often as possible, mostly on the weekends, to visit with friends and family, but especially to spend time with her husband of 32 years, Thomas, an engineering partner at Far Horizons Corp., which specializes in power plant design and construction.

"We're a commuting couple," she said jokingly. "The difference is, he plays with big toys and I play with little toys." This summer the 53-year-old unpacked her bags in Montclair for the last time, returning to the United States to become Johnson & Johnson's vice president of Worldwide Women's Health, of which J&J has the largest and most diverse products portfolio of any company in the world.

Brummer's sense of humor and "can do" attitude has proved to be a good combination for her success at work and home.

Always the go-getter, Brummer spent her last two years of study at Montclair State (she earned a degree in biology and chemistry), working as a microbiologist at Paterson General Hospital, a job she credits former professor Marie Kuhnen with helping her land. "Dr. Kuhnen has probably inspired more people to go into field biology than anyone else in New Jersey," Brummer said. "I don't know if people realize the impact she has had on the biological sciences."

Kuhnen may have helped Brummer get her foot in the door, but it was her own hard work and commitment that earned her the title of chief microbiologist when she graduated, the same year she married Thomas, her high school sweetheart.

In 1971, with two small daughters at home, Brummer applied for a job at Airwick Industries. "At first, I was told I couldn't have the job because they weren't sure I would be able to handle it with two children at home," she explained. "A manager told me, 'You can't do it.' So I asked to meet with the vice president and convinced him I could do the job. He hired me on the spot."

Brummer's persistence paid off and she eventually was promoted to associate director of product development and microbiology. Brummer enjoyed a successful five-year stint at Airwick while at the same time attending evening classes at New York University to earn both a master's degree and Ph.D. in biological sciences.

In 1990, while she was working at The Mennan Company as group director of product development, she received a call from Johnson & Johnson to join their team. Nearly two decades after she had to prove she could make it as a woman in industry, Brummer was ready to make a move to a company where women excel. "Johnson & Johnson is very women-friendly," said Brummer, who has worked for the company in various capacities including top positions in pharmaceutical development, product development, marketing and general management. "It's one of the best companies in terms of top female officers. It has an excellent track record. It's also well known for its family-friendly policies, such as providing on-site child care."

Although her new post will require more international travel, Brummer will work out of the company's Skillman office, bringing her back to her New Jersey roots and perhaps giving her the opportunity to get back to one of her passions—teaching field biology. After graduating from Montclair State, Brummer was an adjunct professor in the Biology Department, teaching courses ranging from field ornithology to flowering plants of New Jersey. "I love being outside and working with the students," said Brummer, who is on the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Audubon Society. "They have such a fresh outlook on life."

To ensure today's students get the same experiences she did, Brummer created the Biology Field Fund, to which she is a regular contributor. The fund is used to purchase a variety of field equipment. "When Dr. Kuhnen retired [in the late 1980s], I wanted to make sure the field biology program would continue."

What also has continued is their friendship and mutual admiration. "Barbara has tremendous drive and is a sharp thinker. Whatever she does, she does it to the best of her abilities," Kuhnen said.

It was in Kuhnen's ornithology class where another one of Brummer's interests was born, when she and several classmates formed a jug band called, what else—The Dirdy Birdies. The group came together in 1965 to give two performances during carnival weekend. Thirty-five years later the group continues to perform.

Brummer, the only woman in the group, plays the washtub bass and sings. "We just have so much fun playing together," she said. And somehow, in between work, family and the Dirdy Birdies, Brummer finds time to get together with her "field buddies" to travel to places such as Costa Rica, and Trinidad and Tobago. This year's plans include a trip to coastal California.

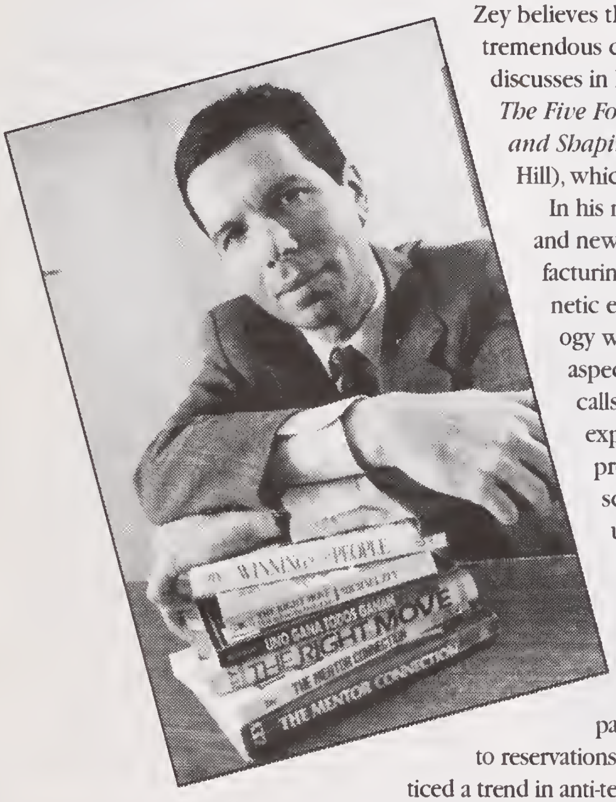
Although it may seem that Brummer has a knack for always choosing the right roads, she is quick to give fate some credit, saying, "I find that life isn't always a conscious decision." ◆

Professor takes a bold look at what the future holds

BY STEPHANIE MANNINO '99

He doesn't have a crystal ball, but Dr. Michael Zey of the Management Department holds a vision of the future in which communication will improve, time spent commuting will decrease and nations will work together on large-scale endeavors such as space travel.

And this future may be closer than we think.



Zey believes the next 10 years will be a time of tremendous change and progress, a topic he discusses in his sixth book, *The Future Factor: The Five Forces Transforming our Lives and Shaping Human Destiny* (McGraw-Hill), which hit bookshelves in May.

In his new book, Zey explores current and new technology in bioscience, manufacturing, aerospace, computers and genetic engineering, and how that technology will change our lives. The second aspect of the book tackles what Zey calls the "why" question. "I wanted to explore why we are trying to improve ourselves," he said. "Is it transcendent? Is something, beyond our understanding, motivating us? Many people are asking what will happen, but not why."

His thoughts are an attempt to dispel negative ideas about the future. From last year's Y2K panic to the threat of overpopulation to reservations about space travel, Zey has noticed a trend in anti-technological thinking.

"I consider my ideas beyond optimism," he said. "I think human ingenuity always finds ways to accommodate change."

Among his predictions, Zey believes innovations in transportation, even more so than the Internet, will have a strong impact on our society.

"Today, so many people believe we're living in the 'age of information.' In reality, our society still exists on the basics and can't survive without them," said Zey, who was named one of "Five Jerseyans to watch in the 21st Century" by *Suburban Essex and Morris Magazine.* "If we tried to exist mainly through Web pages, we'd become a secondary society." The introduction of high-speed technology could change the way we think about communicating—and commuting—across the country.

"I think the real advantages will occur when we can travel on a high-speed rail," he said. "When I can get to Chicago in 45 minutes by train, I'm going to see that as a major breakthrough." Literally interacting with people in another city will not only help workers use their time more efficiently, but will improve real world relationships as well. "Right now there is a lot of communication through e-mail and the Internet. We're communicating in a way we never thought possible, but that's not necessarily aiding our interpersonal connections with others."

Improved relationships come into play as we enter what Zey considers the macroindustrial era, one in which societies will embark on large-scale production.

"Whether it's satellites, buildings or cities, things are going to be huge," said Zey. "There won't be just one country exploring space. Something like this would require several countries to collaborate."

Space exploration is one area Zey sees as part of a natural progression of investigation and advancement. "Movement is important, it's a liberating experience for human beings. Historically, that was seen as people migrated from Europe to the United States," he said.

Working together is the key to improving our human relationships across the globe. "People will need to see each other," he said. "Having co-workers from all over the world will lead us to discover similarities in each other, realizing that we are all members of the same species." With more collaboration, Zey foresees a growth of understanding and tolerance that may put an end to racism.

While basic forms of communication still outweigh the importance of the Internet, Zey, who holds a doctorate in sociology, believes more good than bad will come from new forms of technology.

"Snow days don't exist anymore," he said. "Now employees can use e-mail and faxes to communicate even if they're not in the office." Eventually, Zey anticipates virtual reality playing an instrumental role in workplace communication. "It will be possible to have a meeting using virtual reality. People will be able to see and interact with those who are hundreds of miles away."

Although much will change over the next decade, a great deal of technology already has become part of our daily lives. Education is just one area that has already seen the benefits of innovation.

"Montclair State was quick to embrace technology," said Zey. "I think the University becoming digitized has made me a better researcher. Information is not only text-bound anymore so I can come into class with something 'hot off the press.' "

Zey isn't worried about being replaced by a computer. "Teaching in the classroom will always exist, but now it can be supplemented by distance learning," he said. "We can't afford to have technology and science take a backseat because they have the potential for making the learning process easier. ◆

Childhood experiences turn into a lifetime of memories

BY DR. LISE GREENE '74, '81 M.A.

Remember your first day of kindergarten? Maybe your mother accompanied you to the classroom, held your little hand and introduced you to the teacher. When the school day was over, perhaps she or your older sibling waited to take you home. You probably entered the strange new world of academe under the watchful and protective eyes of loving family members who ensured as smooth a transition as possible.

The Jack Areson of today (above) at his store, Yesterday's Books and Records in Montclair. Pictured on opposite page, the Jack Areson of yesteryear during his military days.

John (Jack) Areson's first day of school in Montclair was different. In September 1922, the 5-year-old was escorted by one of his parents to the corner of Claremont Avenue and Valley Road, where he boarded the trolley car—alone. At Normal Avenue, the end of the line, he got off the trolley car and scampered up a long hill to his school, a huge white Spanish-style building. Amid a sea of legs and a babble of voices he found the way to his kindergarten classroom.

Jack was a pupil in the demonstration primary school at the Montclair State Normal School, a public school with one class of each grade from kindergarten through six.

I encountered the octogenarian in his curious, cluttered, used book and record shop in Montclair, where we made an exchange. I delivered a few old books about World War II, and in return he gave me $5 for the books ("more than what they're worth") and a gift—the information that he had been a pupil at Montclair State's demonstration school. I asked for another gift—his time. Jack agreed to be interviewed about his school recollections, and I returned some weeks later with a tape recorder to capture his memories of an era in Montclair State's history.

At various times during his kindergarten day, Jack recalled, teachers-in-training would sit quietly around the perimeter and observe the teacher at work. Charles S. Chapin, principal of the Normal School, believed that future teachers would learn best from watching master teachers exercise their skills in a real classroom. So, the best teachers presided over the demonstration primary school, and one of Jack's favorites was Margaret Batten in the third grade. "It was a very good school with very good teachers, and they put up with a lot, as I can testify," he said, citing an incident in which he dipped a female classmate's hair in an inkwell.

Jack rode the trolley to the Montclair State Normal School from 1922 to 1927. As he completed fourth grade, the normal school for the preparation of elementary teachers became a college for the preparation of high school teachers. The demonstration primary school was ended to make way for a junior/senior high school. Jack's "college" days came to a temporary halt and he transferred to the Montclair public schools for grades five and six.

Click. My tape recorder was turned off for the first of several interruptions as customers came into Jack's shop. He joshed with the men and flirted with the women. "What country are you from?" he queried a young woman with an accent. "Ecuador," she replied. "You're the prettiest girl from Ecuador who's been in the shop all day!" he exclaimed. She smiled and bought two books. He gave her a third at no cost.

Click. Back to our interview, Jack told me that in the fall of 1929 he returned to Montclair State to begin seventh grade. His classes were held in the new College High School building. The principal was W. Scott Smith.

As in the primary school, his teachers were the best the institution had to offer. "I can't think of anybody who wasn't good," he said. "They mostly came from Ivy League schools." Jack began to recite their names as though reading a list of current campus buildings: Bohn, Mallory, McEachern, Sprague.

Harold Bohn, "a marvelous gentleman," taught English; Virgil Mallory, a math teacher, "was a nice fellow"; Edna McEachern, who taught music, "was a pretty good teacher"; and Harry Sprague was a "good college president" whose daughter, Elizabeth, was two

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years behind Jack in College High School. Other faculty he fondly remembered were Eldred Bingham, Edgar Bye, Lawrence Conrad, Edouard Dambrin, John Flowers, Roy Hatch and W. Harry Snyder.

Jack's classmates, too, were exceptional. He believed they were brighter than average, and many went on to prestigious universities and careers. There were about 25 pupils in each of the six grades (seven through 12) who commuted from Montclair and surrounding towns. Jack was delighted to rejoin several of his elementary school buddies.

He recalled Jody Murray, whose father was a celebrated naval trainer during World War II. Three of his schoolmates—Karl Marquardt, Adolph Suehsdorf and Jim Boyd—later went to Princeton. Ross Faulkner (son of a future Montclair mayor) enrolled at the University of Michigan, and John Lyman went to Oberlin. Another schoolmate was Sterling Walter, who later changed his name to Sterling Hayden and became a Hollywood star in the 1950s.

Click. More customers. More friendly conversation and flirtation. Jack's self-assessment of his unfettered adolescent character seemed confirmed in the 82-year-old widower.

Click. In Jack's first year at College High School as a seventh grader, Dr. Caroline Zachry of the college's Psychology Department established a Mental Hygiene Institute, and the free-spirited, outspoken Jack was a prime subject for study. Dr. Zachry saw him at the school and also spent time with his family at home. It became clear that Jack, an only child, had an unhappy home life. "My father didn't give a damn about me…My grandparents and my mother were *too* good to me, and my father ignored me, which I think explains why I misbehaved."

By the time Jack reached ninth grade, Dr. Robert Morrison was the principal of College High School. "Mr. Smith had been very good to me, because he seemed to like me. But Dr. Morrison didn't like me, which I understood. I was a problem. Some of the other fellows incited me to raise hell." As Jack recalled, Principal Morrison "had a different approach. He was told to shape up [College High School], and I was obviously somebody he should get rid of." In Jack's words, Dr. Morrison "deservedly invited me out." Yet, he observed, "I couldn't have asked for a better human being, in my opinion, than Dr. Morrison. He gave me a chance." The chance was to make a new start in another school.

Jack walked down the hill toward Valley Road, thinking he was leaving Montclair State Teachers College for the last time. He packed his bags at home and headed off to the Northwood Prep School in Lake Placid, N.Y. With his new discipline and outlook, Jack later was accepted at Princeton University, where he rejoined several former classmates from College High School.

But Jack's association with Montclair State was not quite finished. During the summers between semesters at Princeton, he returned to the Spanish-style building on the hill to take teacher preparation courses. With a degree from Princeton and certification from Montclair State, he returned home to Montclair, married and began a long career teaching English and history in the junior and senior high schools of Glen Ridge, Montclair, West Orange, Springfield and Wanaque.

Jack's teaching, however, was interrupted by three and a half years of military service during World War II that took him to England, France, Belgium, Germany, Austria, the Philippines and Japan. He experienced "several close calls," but came back to New Jersey with only minor injuries from stepping on a mine. Jack's keen interest in books, history, music and collecting ensured his return to Montclair with suitcases bulging with treasures from abroad. Dismayed by their home's new museum look, his wife, in desperation, suggested that he open a shop and move his collections there.

Upon his retirement, Jack did just that. Since 1977 he has been the proprietor of Yesterday's Books and Records in Montclair. The shop is a relic of bygone times, just as Jack's school experiences at Montclair State Normal School and Teachers College are relics of a bygone era when the campus was a classroom for children. If you visit Jack, you may leave with an ancient tome, a rare record or a unique knick-knack. You undoubtedly will carry away a story and a smile.

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'Celebrate Montclair'

The theme of this year's Alumni Weekend, "Celebrate Montclair," turned out to be an adept description of the event itself. There were celebrations of reunions from the class of 1928 through the class of 1995. The class of 1950 celebrated its 50th reunion, with 37 alumni and their guests returning to campus to marvel at all the changes that had taken place.

The day began with the traditional 50+ breakfast, honoring alumni who graduated in 1950 or before. Following breakfast was the annual meeting of the Alumni Association where four new members were welcomed to the board: **Antoinette (Toni) Clay '80, Sandy Garcia '96, Sandra Mickens '81** and **Valerie Winslow '95 '99 M.A.** Re-elected board members include **Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.,** who is serving a second term as president; **Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.,** who is beginning a second term as executive vice president; and **Vivian Lalumia '86**, returning for a second term as treasurer. Returning members-at-large are **Cheryl Hopper '95 M.A., George Iannacone '54 '59 M.A., Phil Kiernan '95, Donna Carpinelli Popowich '85 '89 M.A. '92 M.Ed.** and **Carol Fiehn Vivona '80 '85 M.A.**

Seven former Association presidents also were in attendance: **Jim McGilvray '41, Bill Van Tuinen '41 '49 M.A., Dorothy Schroeder Lehmkuhl '42 '46 M.A., Audrey Vincentz Leef '43, Donald Fusco '49 '51 M.A., William Bingham '50 '53 M.A.** and **Linda Peskin '70.**

More than 200 alumni and guests attended the annual luncheon to share memories about Montclair State. Alumni Association President Hait introduced the reunion classes and recognized **Florence Holcombe Hampton '28**, the alumna from the earliest class in attendance. Hait also took the opportunity to thank Association Vice President for Membership and Programming **Pat Crosby Ackershoek '71** for the hard work she and the Alumni Weekend committee had done to make the event such a success.

◀ *MSU President Susan A. Cole talked about the past year's achievements and the University's goals.*

◀ *MSU Alumni Association Board Secretary Dr. Frank Alvarez '76 (left) chats with MSU Vice President for Institutional Advancement Gregory Waters during the 50+ breakfast.*

▲ *MSU Alumni Association Board member Father Art Humphrey '95 M.A. (right) welcomes new board member Valerie Winslow '95 '99 M.A.*

◀ *Three members of the class of 1950—Pauline Jablonski Apgar, June Boswell Bell and Jean Haring Hall—enjoy a few photos from the "good ol' days."*

▲ *Victoria Merena Windish '50 (left) likes the work done by caricaturist Jay Alders '96.*

◀ *During the awards ceremony a special tribute was paid to Vaughn Vandegrift '68 '70 M.A. (left), dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, who is leaving Montclair State to become provost at Georgia Southern University. Alumni Association President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. presented Vandegrift with several tokens from the University and reminded him and his wife, Suzanne Bouchoux Vandegrift '68, about next year's Alumni Weekend.*

Association presents honors

During the Alumni Weekend annual reunion luncheon, the MSU Alumni Association recognizes those who have made outstanding contributions to the Association and the University, and congratulates several student scholarship winners.

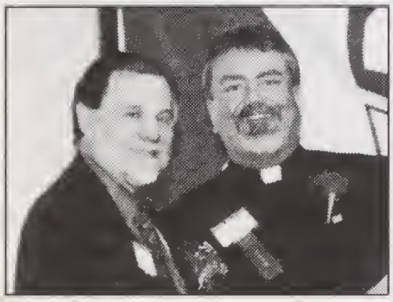
ALUMNI CITATION AWARD

Candidates, nominated by alumni and members of the University community, have demonstrated distinguished and significant professional service, outstanding and unusual leadership, and service to the University and/or the greater community. Here are this year's recipients:

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.S.

MARGARET HAIT '70 '76 M.S.

Currently in her second term as president of the Alumni Association's Executive Board, Margaret Hait was recognized for her dedication and hard work on behalf of the Association as well as for her professional endeavors in the field of home economics. Hait has taught family and consumer sciences at Westwood Junior/Senior High School since 1970. Instrumental in establishing Montclair State's Home Economics Alumni Council, she served for many years as its representative to the Alumni Association.



MSU Association Board Member Father Art Humphrey '95 M.A. (right) congratulates Michael Ambrosio '63.

MICHAEL AMBROSIO '63

Michael Ambrosio received a B.A. in social studies and went on to earn a law degree from Catholic University. He is a professor of law at Seton Hall Law School, where he founded and was the first director of the Law School Clinical Program. Ambrosio returns to his first alma mater periodically to recruit students for Seton Hall Law School.

EDWARD BRADLEY '50

Edward Bradley, a Panzer College grad who was unable to attend the ceremony, was recognized for his exemplary work in the field of physical education. Bradley was honored at the White House by President Kennedy in 1962 as the first recipient of the U.S. Outstanding Physical Fitness and Sports Leadership Award. He was honored again in 1985 by President Reagan as the recipient of the Healthy American Fitness Award. In 1998 he received the New Jersey Pride Award in Social Services and is the recipient of The Daily Points of Light 2000, the nation's highest award in volunteer service.

Lisa Bradley LaMarca '87 (right) accepts the Alumni Citation Award on behalf of her father, Ed Bradley '50, as her sister, Gail Bradley Klewsaat (left), and Association Vice President for Membership and Programming Pat Crosby Ackershoek '71 look on.

OUTSTANDING FACULTY AWARD

Dr. Ree Arnold

The 19th annual Outstanding Faculty Award was given to Dr. Ree Arnold of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies (HPPERLS). This award is presented to a tenured member of the Montclair State faculty who has demonstrated the highest level of professional achievement and has had at least 15 years of professional service to the University.

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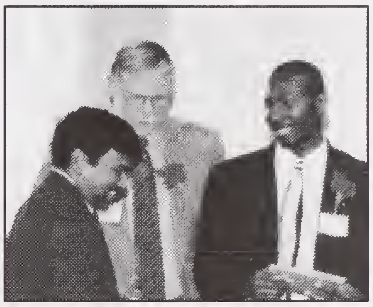

Dr. Saliya DeSilva (left), chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, and Dr. Vaughn Vandegrift (center), dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, congratulate Etzer Darout.

The Alumni Association was proud to host the recipients of two of the many scholarships made possible by the generosity of Margaret McCormack Sokol '38 and the late Herman Sokol '37, and awarded through the MSU Foundation. The Sokol Graduate Fellowship in Science is awarded to a graduating natural science major who will pursue formal full-time graduate study leading to a doctoral degree. This year's recipient is Etzer Darout.

Walter Jaslanek, recipient of the Award for International Graduate Study/Research.

The Margaret and Herman Sokol Award for International Graduate Study/Research is intended to encourage recipients to acquire and/or enhance skills in a language other than English, opening opportunities for study and research abroad. This year's recipient is Walter Jaslanek, a master's candidate in geoscience.

THE LEGACY SCHOLARSHIP

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A. (right), chair of the Association Scholarship Committee, congratulates Gail Rettenmaier (left), the first recipient of the Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship, and her father, Roy Rettenmaier '80.

Former Association President Ron Naples '81 was instrumental in the establishment of the Legacy Scholarship, awarded to an incoming freshman who is the child or grandchild of an active MSU alumnus/a. Working in cooperation with the offices of Admissions and Financial Aid, the Alumni Association Scholarship Committee selected Gail Rettenmaier, daughter of Roy Rettenmaier '80, to be this year's recipient.

The Class of 2000

Montclair State University's Class of 2000 didn't let the November-like weather chill their spirits as they processed into the Continental Airlines Arena on May 22 to celebrate the culmination of years of hard work and dedication.

MSU President Susan A. Cole (pictured left, center) greeted Montclair State's first graduating class of the new millennium.

"Since its founding in 1908, this institution graduated 76,259 students in the 20th century. Beginning with the 2,411 members of the class of 2000, we project that the University will graduate 347,000 in the 21st century. So all of you really are the start of something big."

Dr. Antonia Novello, the Rev. William Gray III and the Rev. Dr. DeForest B. Soaries, Jr. addressed the graduating class after accepting their honorary degrees.

"Some people will tell you that the United States is no longer the place where people can dream and I tell you to pay no attention to them," said Novello, the first woman and the first Hispanic to be appointed surgeon general of the United States. "The American dream is alive and well and if you don't believe that, look around you, at your teachers, your parents and your community. You can realize your dream."

Currently the commissioner of health for New York State, Novello, a native of Puerto Rico, told the audience she was impressed that 30 percent of the graduating class are minorities and 60 percent are women. "We are no longer the minorities," she said.

Gray, president and chief executive officer of The

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Rev. Dr. DeForest B. Soaries, Jr.

Rev. William Gray III

Dr. Antonia Novello

College Fund (formerly the United Negro College Fund) offered graduates three pieces of advice:

"First, never, never, never give up. That's what got you here and that's what will take you along the way. Second, keep on seeking excellence. It doesn't stop when you leave Montclair State, it just begins. Continue to learn…Finally, understand what makes people great in society. It's not how much you get, but how much you give back in life that really matters."

Gray served in the United States House of Representatives as a representative from Pennsylvania from 1979 until his resignation in 1991. As chairman of the Democratic Caucus and later minority whip, he was the highest-ranking African-American to serve in Congress. An ordained minister, he served for 10 years as pastor of the Union Baptist Church in Upper Montclair, and is now pastor of the Bright Hope Baptist Church in Philadelphia.

Soaries, New Jersey's secretary of state, talked to the graduates about the importance of giving. "America has changed, but it has not changed by itself," he said. "It has changed because smart, sacrificial, spiritual people decided that America should be better and America could be better. Your challenge is to make America a better place."

Soaries is the senior pastor of the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens in Somerset, one of the fastest growing African-American churches in the state. He was raised and attended public schools in Montclair. Soaries' mother, Mary, a 1977 graduate of Montclair State, was at the ceremony.

The person who perhaps traveled the longest distance to attend the commencement ceremony was Doan Quang Hien, who came from Vietnam to watch his son, Doan Quoc Viet, graduate with honors. Quoc Viet came to the United States four years ago through the efforts of Dr. Paul Scipione of the Marketing Department.

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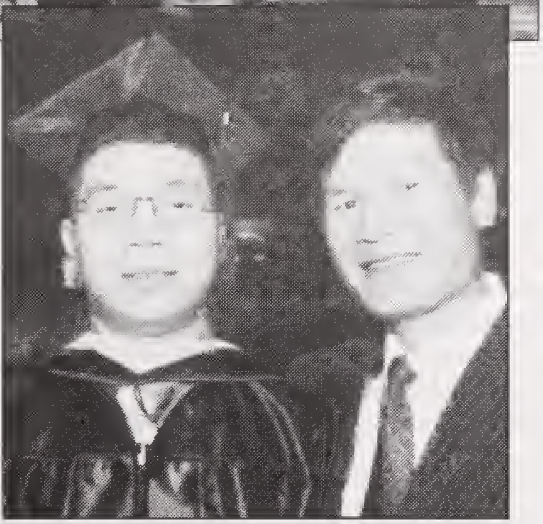
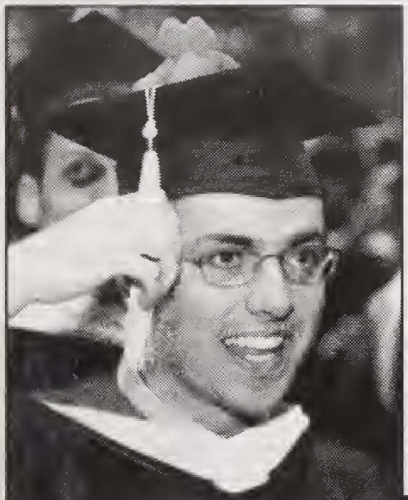
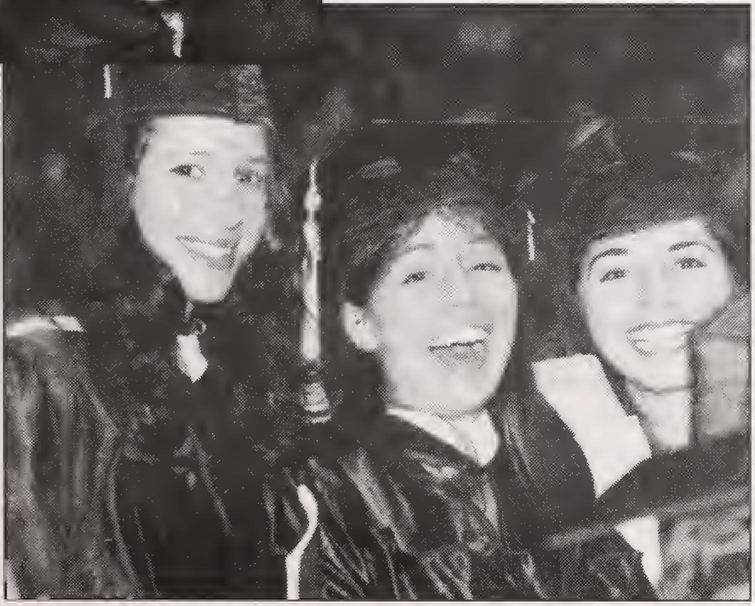


Doan Quang Hien (right) came from Vietnam to see his son, Doan Quoc Viet, graduate.





Members of the class of 1950 celebrated their 50th reunion at commencement. Pictured (from left) are David H. Cassells, Ruth Heys Gardner, Thomas Langan, Jr., Marion Salvia and Bert Engelke.

Spanning the University

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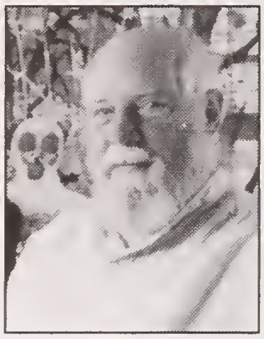
David Cole remembered



The Montclair State community will remember David Cole for his tireless spirit, unending sense of humor and passion for art.

The husband of MSU President Susan A. Cole, David, 60, passed away April 19 after a long battle with pulmonary fibrosis.

"He had an amazing energy that translated into his art," said Garry Rideout of the Publications Office, who had been working closely with him on the catalog for his on-campus exhibit "In-Gathering." The exhibit, which runs through July 21, features many pieces of David's work, including his colorful one-of-a-kind hand-painted wooden paint stirrers.

In addition to President Cole, David is survived by two children, Simon and Alexa; a daughter-in-law, Laura; and a granddaughter, Sonia.

Contributions in his memory can be made to the MSU Musical Instrument Fund through the University Foundation.

Alumna Margaret Sokol '38 (right) congratulates Mark Hubey of the Computer Science Department on being named this year's Margaret and Herman Sokol Faculty Fellow.

Hubey named Sokol Faculty Fellow

Haci-Murat (Mark) Hubey of Computer Science has been named this year's Margaret and Herman Sokol Faculty Fellow. Established in 1991 by alumna Margaret Sokol '38, the $25,000 annual award provides faculty from the College of Science and Mathematics with the opportunity for professional advancement, study and travel. Hubey plans to use the award to continue his study of mathematical and computational linguistics.

The award is named after Sokol and her late husband, Herman '37, a research chemist and industrialist who developed the basic processes for tetracycline manufacture, which are used throughout the world. They each were awarded honorary doctorates by the University, she in 1992 and he in 1982. A longtime friend of the University who has established several scholarships and fellowships for students and faculty, Sokol last year provided a $1.25 million gift to endow Montclair State's first named professorship—the Margaret and Herman Sokol Chair in Chemistry.

Scholarships for transfer students

This fall, Montclair State will begin a comprehensive program to award full-tuition scholarships to honors students from New Jersey's community colleges.

Each year, 48 scholarships will be available to transfer students. Forty-three will be for general honors and five will be for biochemistry/molecular biology, an area in the sciences that continues to grow in numbers and strength.

All the scholarships will provide full tuition for four semesters at Montclair State. In addition, the science scholarships will provide a stipend for one summer of faculty-directed research.

"We already have a solid record in attracting students from the state's community colleges," said Alan Buechler, director of Undergraduate Admissions. "These scholarships will make that record even stronger by providing the most talented students, those who have demonstrated academic commitment and achievement, the opportunity to earn a bachelor's degree."

Last fall more than 1,000 students transferred to Montclair State.

Commission awards grant for campus improvements

Montclair State University received approval from the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education to use part of its $28.1 million from the Higher Education Capital Improvement Fund for improvements to the campus.

On March 25, the Commission approved the University's use of $12.1 million for the renovation of College, Finley and Richardson halls, installation of fire equipment, replacement of outdated or malfunctioning electrical systems and roof repairs.

William Paterson and Fairleigh Dickinson universities also received grants, the first to be distributed from the fund that was established last year by the Legislature and Gov. Christine Whitman to help four-year schools pay for building and renovation projects. The Commission approved the release of $133 million of the fund's $550 million.

New faces on campus

Montclair State University welcomes several new members to the campus community:

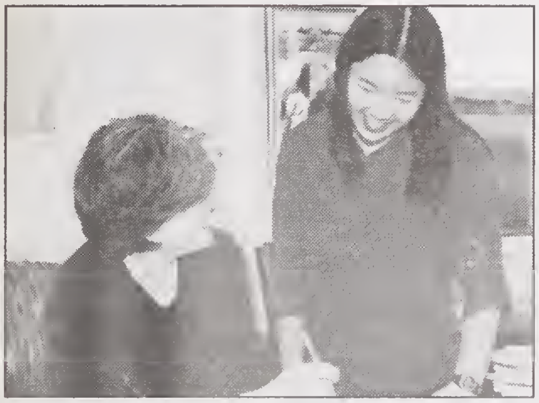
- Lauretta Farrell, director, Major Gifts
- Richard Gigliotti, dean, College of Education and Human Services
- Semmy Ju, associate vice president, Facilities Management
- Edward Chapel, associate vice president, Budget, Planning and Information Technology

Students learn at Berra Museum

Nearly 1,200 fourth and fifth graders from local school districts—including Montclair, Clifton and Paterson—participated in Science and Math Week, an interactive sports education program at Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center.

Co-sponsored by the College of Science and Mathematics, the program included a series of classes designed and taught by MSU faculty. The classes were based on scientific and mathematical principles as they apply to sports and athletes. Topics include the physics of baseball, geology of the stadium, muscle movement in baseball and mathematics of baseball.

A day with the president



High school junior Diane Yang (right) got a firsthand look at a day in the life of a university president when she spent the day with MSU President Susan A. Cole.

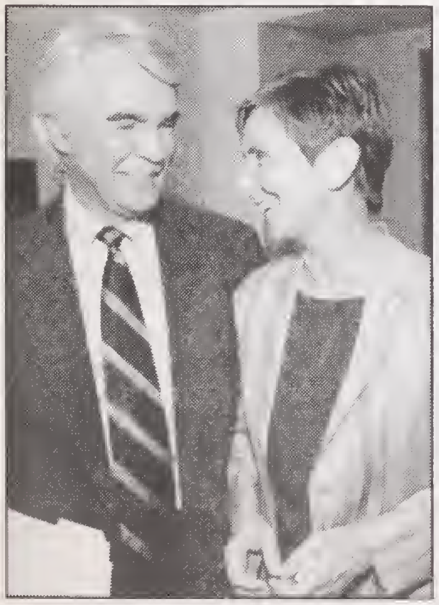
Sixteen-year-old Diane Yang got a firsthand look at what takes place in the life of a university president after spending a day this spring with President Susan A. Cole. A junior at John P. Stevens High School in Edison, Yang was a winner in last year's "Follow a Leader" essay contest sponsored by Macy's and *The Star-Ledger.*

In her essay describing why she admires Cole, Yang wrote "…Cole was determined to achieve her goals and not be discouraged because she is a woman… She wanted to make improvements in education and be able to make a difference in the community." She continued, "I would like to follow in Dr. Cole's footsteps with the same determination and dedication that she exhibited."

Yang said she learned a lot from the experience. "It encouraged me to follow my dreams and not to be afraid of obstacles," she said. "Dr. Cole is a good example of that. I admire the way she has accomplished so many things, including becoming a woman president."

In addition to spending the day with Cole, Yang received a $1,000 educational grant.

Colleagues welcome Schlant back from campaign trail



Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, shares a moment with Ernestine Schlant at a reception welcoming her back to Montclair State.

After spending a year on the campaign trail with her then presidential hopeful husband Bill Bradley, Ernestine Schlant returned to Montclair State University in May for a reception hosted by her friends and colleagues. Schlant has been a professor in Montclair State's Department of French, Russian and German since 1971.

Interim deans named

Kenneth Wolff '63 of Mathematical Sciences has been appointed interim dean of the College of Science and Mathematics (CSAM) and Ada Beth Cutler of Curriculum and Teaching has been appointed interim dean of the College of Education and Human Services (CEHS). Both appointments are effective July 1.

Vaughn Vandegrift '68, who has served as dean of CSAM for 12 years, is leaving Montclair State to become provost and vice president for academic affairs at Georgia Southern University. Nicholas Michelli '64, a 30-year veteran of Montclair State who served 20 years as CEHS dean, has accepted a position as dean for Teacher Education at the City University of New York.

Wolff joined the faculty in September 1967 and has spent more than half of his 33 years as chair of what is now the Department of Mathematical Sciences. He was instrumental in establishing the mathematics education specialization within the Doctor of Education program in pedagogy.

Cutler joined Montclair State in 1994 as a member of the faculty in Curriculum and Teaching. Since that time she has played an integral part in advancing the University's efforts in the areas of the education of future teachers and the renewal of public schools. She has served as the director of the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal for the past several years. In addition to her other activities, Cutler chaired of the committee charged with developing the doctoral program in pedagogy during the year leading up to its approval by the Commission on Higher Education.

Ad campaign wins awards

The Lunar Group, Inc. in Mountain Lakes has won two awards from the New Jersey Communications, Advertising and Marketing Association for its work on Montclair State's advertising campaign.

In the category of Outdoor Advertising, the agency won a silver trophy for the Montclair State billboards, and bus and van advertisements.

In the category of Direct Mail, the Lunar Group won another silver trophy for the "Montclairity" piece created for Continuing Education and the Graduate School.

Student News

Prestigious award goes to two MSU students

Each year, the American Dietetic Association (ADA) presents Outstanding Dietetics Awards to students in dietetics education programs in every state. This year two students from MSU received the award—Christine Granz and Ana Marie Quispe.

Granz received the award in the Didactic Program in Dietetics, and Quispe received the award in the Approved Preprofessional Practice Program (AP4). Both are ADA-accredited and approved programs in Human Ecology.

"The purpose of the Outstanding Dietetic Student Award program is to recognize the emerging leadership and achievement of students in the ADA-accredited and approved dietetics education programs," said Shahla Wunderlich, coordinator of the food and nutrition program and director of the AP4 program. "We are very happy that this year both awards for the state of New Jersey were given to

Spanning the University

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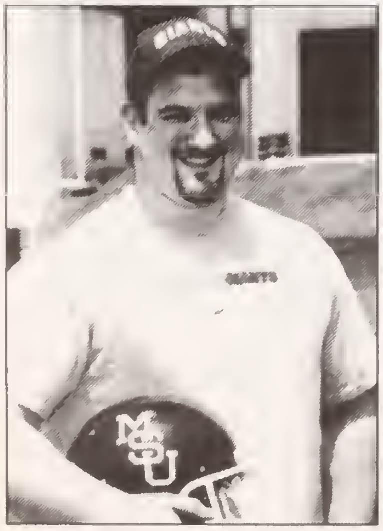

John Kuzora signed a contract with the New York Giants.

Montclair State students."

Granz and Quispe received the awards at the New Jersey Dietetic Association annual meeting June 1, and their names will appear in a list of all awardees in the fall issue of the *Journal of the American Dietetic Association.*

Pair wins poetry award

Two students in the Department of French, German and Russian—Lociano Benjamin and Laura Ginenthal—have each been awarded the French Cultural Services Prize for poetry writing.

Benjamin, a graduate student, and Ginenthal, an undergraduate, were honored at the French Embassy in New York City.

"This is a prestigious award offered by the French Cultural Services division of the French government," said Department Chair Lois Oppenheim. "Laura and Lociano's national recognition brings honor not only to themselves, but to our Department and, indeed, to the University. These are two very talented students and I'm truly delighted they have won."

The contest sought poems that incorporated the theme of travel and diversity. Benjamin won for his poem, "Voyage—Coucher du Soleil á Nice" and Ginenthal for her poem, "Perspectives."

As part of her prize, Ginenthal, a senior French major who hopes to teach French and Italian, will spend 10 days in France this summer at the Cote d'Azure participating in a variety of cultural activities.

Students inducted into Golden Key

More than 400 students were inducted into the Golden Key National Honor Society. Junior psychology major Melissa Sapio and senior Spanish major Susan Polise each received a $500 scholarship for outstanding academic achievement and service. Also recognized at the event were honorary members Yogi and Carmen Berra.

Football star signs with N.Y. Giants

Football standout John Kuzora signed a professional football contract with the NFL's New York Giants on April 21. The 6-foot, 5-inch, 315-pound offensive tackle is the 23rd player in Montclair State history to sign a professional contract and the first to sign with an NFL squad since placekicker Mike Attardi inked a contract with the Los Angeles Raiders in 1989.

Kuzora, who attended the Giants' mini camp in May, anchored the Red Hawks offensive line last season, helping MSU to the New Jersey Athletic Conference title and NCAA Division III quarterfinal berth. A three-year starter, Kuzora was a two-time All-NJAC selection and was also selected to the ECHOIC Division III Metro Football All-Star Team and Football Gazette East Region All-Star Team this season. During his career as a starter, Montclair amassed more than 10,000 yards of offense, including 370 yards per game during the 1999 campaign, which ranked among the best in the nation in Division III.

Dance majors compete in national festival

Fourteen dance majors performed at the Northeast Regional American College Dance Festival at SUNY-Brockport last month. In addition to taking master classes and attending lectures and performances, the students presented two choreographic works for adjudication by a panel of dance professionals: "When Interrupted...," choreographed by juniors Christina Decker and Diana DeCanto, and "To Seldom Spire," choreographed by guest artist Sara Hook. The MSU students also participated in a non-adjudicated concert and presented alumna Maureen Glennon's "Thou Shalt Not" to an enthusiastic audience.

***The Montclarion* captures NJPA awards**

Staff of *The Montclarion*, the Montclair State University student newspaper, were honored recently for their winning entries in the New Jersey Press Association's 1999 Better College Newspaper Contest.

For investigative writing, the paper took first place for "Following the Money Trail" by Justin Vellucci and James Davison; second place for "Term Papers for Sale" by Mary Kate Frank; and honorable mention for "Stumbling Over Drinking Problems" by Kara Richardson.

In the Arts and Entertainment/Critical Writing category, Anna Lawrence's reviews of "Amadeus" and "Santana," and Christine Chepic's review of "American Beauty" and "Remastering the Arts" tied for third place.

Several staff members of The Montclarion *were winners in the New Jersey Press Association's 1999 Better College Newspaper Contest. Pictured at the awards ceremony (from left) are Anna Lawrence (left), assistant arts editor for* The Montclarion*; Justin Velluci, editor-in-chief; Ron Hollander of the English Department; and James Davison, production editor.*

ALUMNI NEWS

To communicate with the Alumni Relations Office concerning any of the following (unless otherwise noted), address mail to MSU Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043, call 973-655-4141, fax 973-655-5483 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.

Recreation alumni reunion

More than 200 recreation alumni, faculty and friends gathered for the first reunion since the program was established in 1972. The event was held at the Westin Hotel in Morristown where Chris Macaluso '82 is a manager. Awards were presented to several graduates for their outstanding contributions to the field. Receiving the Professional Leadership Award were Denise Lanza-Rizzie '63, Dee MacKay '77, Gregg Silva '80 and Laura Botto '78, who are directors of Parks and Recreation in their respective communities and have served as presidents of the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association. The Professional Recreation Therapeutic Achievement Award went to Vicki Clark '92; the Professional Commercial Award was presented to Macaluso; the Professional Achievement Award went to Manny Menendez '76, executive director of Economic Development, City and County of Honolulu, Hawaii. The Founder's Award was presented to Leonard Lucenko, who began the recreation program 28 years ago.

Jim Merriett '64, Dr. Jerry Dickason of the Department of Health Professions Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies, and Gregory D'Alessandro '76 enjoy the reunion of recreation graduates.

African-American alumni reunion

Alumna Gloria Thurmond '70 delighted guests with her singing at a March 30 event hosted by MSU President Susan A. Cole. Cole welcomed to campus African-American alumni, many of whom had not been back since they graduated. The event honored the important role African-American alumni have played in the history of the University.

Alumni Association President Margaret Hait (left) with alumna Gloria Thurmond '70.

Form an alumni chapter

Would you like to be part of an MSU Alumni Chapter? A chapter of the MSU Alumni Association is a branch of the Association under its umbrella. Chapters can represent regional, school, college, department or other shared interest. You must have 20 active alumni to gain chapter status. MSU Alumni Chapters are being formed at Prudential, the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants, in the Washington D.C. area and more. For further information contact the Office of Alumni Relations.

Alumni online

Check out the online directory of alumni located on the MSU Web site at www.montclair.edu. You can add your name and search for your friends (follow the alumni links to arrive at the directory). It is a protected site so only alumni who are on file in the Alumni Office can gain access. If you have difficulty gaining access, call us.

The Alumni Office is collecting e-mail addresses to update alumni about campus news and events. We also plan to host virtual events in the future. If you are part of the electronic community, send your e-mail address to alumni@mail.montclair.edu. Include your name, class year and home address so we can update our database.

Research grant money at work

Through the generosity of alumni contributions to the MSU Alumni Annual Fund, the Alumni Association has a long tradition of annually awarding faculty grants. They are designed to aid in funding projects that impact on the depth and breadth of education at Montclair State University, especially research that involves students working cooperatively with faculty. One of the faculty grants awarded this year went to Dr. Ann Marie DiLorenzo of the Biology and Molecular Biology Department for her project, "Influence of Environmental Chemicals on In Vitro Systems in Conditions of Stress."

Photographic memory

In the fall issue of *Alumni Life* we printed a picture of the MSU 1947 track team and asked if anyone could identify the members. Bob Downing, who attended MSU in 1946 and 1947, correctly identified the most people in the picture. Nice going, Bob.

New job site on the way

Career Development and the Office of Alumni Relations have created a new online job posting site for alumni. Available on the MSU Web site in the fall, the position listing will include mid- to upper-level employment opportunities in a variety of fields. If you are interested in posting positions or would like to attend an orientation for employers, contact Carolyn Jones at jonesc@mail.montclair.edu.

Nominations sought

Each year, the Montclair State University Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates through the Alumni Citation Award. Candidates are nominated by alumni and the campus community. Awards are presented during Alumni Weekend in May.

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To be considered for the Alumni Citation Award, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions that have benefitted the community, University and/or related agencies or the candidate's profession.

Anyone may suggest the name of an outstanding individual to the Alumni Citation Committee. The nominator should send the name, address, telephone number and year of graduation to the Alumni Relations Office by Nov. 14. (See page 11 for this year's recipients.)

Lend a hand for Alumni Weekend

There's still confetti in our hair from last year, but we're already beginning to plan for the next Alumni Weekend. To make Alumni Weekend '01 a truly memorable occasion, we are looking for class chairs to volunteer in planning the event and recruiting members. If you graduated in a year ending in 1 or 6 and would like to help, call the Alumni office. It's an opportunity to rekindle old friendships and form new ones.

Mongioi wins service award

Frank Mongioi is a Cooperative Education alumnus who has "gone the extra mile" in giving other students the same opportunity for growth he was given. Because of his dedication and commitment to the Cooperative Education Program, Mongioi recently was presented with the 2000 Alumni Service Award.

Mongioi was an industrious MSU Marketing/Management student who began his co-op internship with UPN Channel 9 in Secaucus in the fall 1995 semester. He received a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1996. Before he completed his degree, he took advantage of the employment listings in the Career Services Office at MSU and obtained a marketing assistant position with Meadowlink Commuter Services.

Mongioi was promoted to marketing manager in 1997 and began working with Montclair State's Co-op Office to start an internship program at Meadowlink. The first MSU Co-op student was hired by Meadowlink in 1997. Since the program's inception, Meadowlink has had five co-op interns, with one student recently hired as a full-time project manager.

Kalimah Ahmad '98 of the Jersey City Writing Project (center) was a speaker at the English Education Alumni Reunion panel discussion, "So All Can Learn: Possibilities and Challenges." The March 27 event was an opportunity for English majors to hear from MSU alumni about various careers open to those with English degrees. Speakers included Kathy Adorna '97, a teacher at Dover High School; Jay Wecht '95 of Roosevelt Middle School in West Orange; Rita King '94 of Clifford Scott High School in East Orange; and Eric Nelson '97 of Palisades Interstate Park.

CALENDAR
OF EVENTS

Don't miss these upcoming events:

Aug. 18:
Join the MSU Alumni Association for the third annual baseball game get-together when the New Jersey Jackals take on the Adirondack Lumberjacks at Yogi Berra Stadium on campus. A limited number of tickets are available. Tickets are $8 for box seats between home plate and first base. Send payment with number of tickets requested to the MSU Alumni Office.

Sept. 2:
Moving-in day. Volunteers will gather at the Alumni House at 9 a.m. then go to campus to distribute lollipops, water and good will to incoming freshmen. These future alumni are entering a new phase in their lives and we want to make their transition a celebration.

Oct. 14:
Homecoming 2000. Save the date. Information about all events is listed on the Montclair State University Alumni Web site at www.montclair.edu.

Sculpture graces African Burial Ground

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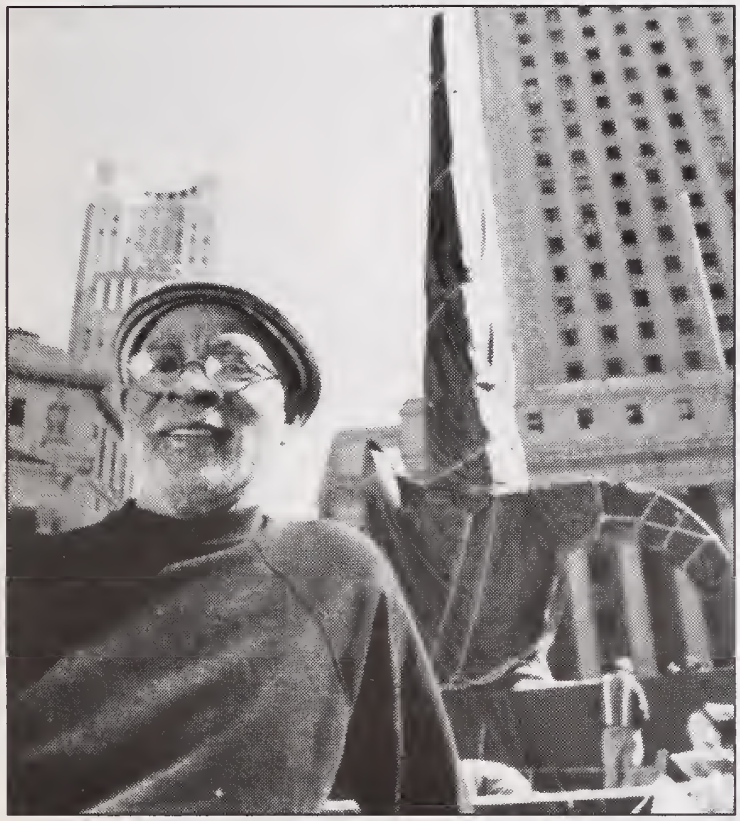
slave. It was a shock to me because I didn't know my family had direct descendants of slavery. My father was aware of the lock, but he never talked about our history. My mother didn't even know."

The lock had been handed down to Pace men ever since, and now it was the artist's turn to be keeper of the 150-year-old lock and the legacy behind it.

"I began to think about the pain and suffering my ancestors must have gone through," Pace said solemnly. "But [the lock] also was a reminder of how far we [African-Americans] have come. I wanted to share the lock with the rest of the world."

Coincidentally, the city of New York discovered a site known as the African Burial Ground in 1991, the same year Pace received the lock. The coffins and 427 skeletons of slaves who were descendants of the Ashanti nation and Dahoumey Empire of West Africa were uncovered during the construction for a federal building in lower Manhattan. Pace immediately felt a personal connection to the site. "I felt these were my ancestors," he said.



Lorenzo Pace at the African Burial Ground in New York, where his sculpture will be unveiled this summer.

A year later, the City Parks Department and the Office of Cultural Affairs issued a call for an artist to design a monument that would acknowledge the history of the burial ground. Paced jumped at the rare opportunity, and was selected over thousands of artists who applied. The eight-year project was underway.

"It was an honor for me to be chosen," said the Alabama-born artist. "It seemed like the lock was the connecting force that gave me this project."

Pace began to do research into African arts and culture. He came across the Chi Wara antelope headdress worn by the Bamana people in Mali, West Africa during ceremonies to celebrate new harvests. Inspired by this finding, Pace chose to depict a female antelope to emphasize her role in nurturing future generations. The horns of Pace's antelope sculpture shoot about 60 feet into the air, and are mounted on a boat-shaped base that sits in a fountain of water. The boat represents the vessels that brought Africans and immigrants to the new world, as well as the canoes used by Native Americans.

"I wanted to create a monument that touches upon the core of the human element," Pace said. "Given all the atrocities that have occurred throughout history, the human spirit still prevails. That's the essence of the sculpture."

"Triumph of the Human Spirit," Pace's 300-ton, black granite monument, sits wrapped in Foley Square with an expected unveiling this summer. And when the covers are removed, spectators will witness a tall, shiny sculpture that pays tribute to the 20,000 Africans buried at the site.

The monument is a milestone in Pace's 30-year career, earning him the distinctive Award for Excellence in Design from the Art Commission of the City of New York in 1997. It's also the world's largest outdoor site-specific installation devoted to the African-American enslavement, and Pace will be forever connected to it. A bronze replica of his great-great-grandfather's lock is buried inside the base of the monument.

"The lock permanently binds my family with the enslaved families buried in New York," said Pace, the son of a Pentecostal preacher and a quiltmaker. "Together, the lock and the monument speak for the yearning of all humans to live free."

Using the lock as his inspiration, Pace produced other exhibits throughout the 1990s that told of his family's connections to slavery. Displays were presented at the Montclair Art Museum, the New Jersey Historical Society in Newark and the New Jersey State Museum in Trenton. He also wrote a children's book about the lock, *Jalani and the Lock*, scheduled to hit bookstores this summer.

"The monument and the lock have inspired me in many different ways in my artwork and in my everyday life, making me think about how precious life is."

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Montclair State joins educational forces with Japanese university

BY BOB QUARTERONI

Montclair State University expanded its global outreach this spring when President Susan A. Cole signed an Academic Exchange Agreement with Shinpei Kojima, president of Fukui University in central Japan, that furthers academic exchange and cooperation in teaching and research between the two institutions.

MSU President Susan A. Cole and MSU Board of Trustees member Doug Kennedy outside the President of Korea's house.

The agreement was signed May 17 while Cole accompanied New Jersey Gov. Christine Todd Whitman on her trade and investment mission to Japan, Korea and Taiwan. Cole was part of a 90-member delegation of corporate, educational and governmental leaders from throughout New Jersey.

"Montclair State is advancing its global education program by developing additional opportunities for faculty and student exchanges, visiting professorships, institutional research and study abroad," Cole said. "Our newest agreement with Fukui University augments the formal linkage agreements we recently signed with three Chinese universities—Shanghai Teachers University, Nanjing University and East China Normal University. These relationships will be invaluable in furthering our global education vision for Montclair State."

Fukui University is a national, coeducational university located in Fukui, a city of slightly more than 250,000 people. Fukui University was established in 1949 and is composed of two faculties (Education and Engineering) and two graduate schools. It has approximately 4,100 students and more than 150 international students.

In the agreement, Montclair State University and Fukui University agree to work together to develop a faculty and staff exchange program and a study abroad program. The agreement also pledges cooperation in fields of mutual interest and an exchange of academic materials, publications and other information.

According to Marina Cunningham, director of MSU's Global Education Center, areas of collaboration include a proposal for an English language summer program for Fukui students at Montclair State. "We also will pursue cooperative programming between our Teacher Education programs and Fine Arts and Music departments," Cunningham said. "And, once the sister university relationship is established, Montclair State students and faculty will automatically be eligible to apply for grants from the Japanese government."

The delegation was received in the highest circles of government and business in the three-country tour.

In Japan, delegates met with the Ministers of Foreign Affairs; Industry and Trade; Post and Telecommunications; and Finance, and were briefed by officials of the Tokyo Stock Exchange.

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>
> President Susan A. Cole

In Korea, they met with Korean President Kim Dae-jung; the mayor of Seoul and the Ministers of Communication and Information; Foreign Affairs and Trade; and Science and Technology. They received a military briefing by U.S. Armed Forces commanders at Yongsan and toured the Joint Security Area/Demilitarized Zone.

In Taiwan, tour delegates met with Chen Shui-Bian, president of Taiwan, and other top government officials.◆

THAT'S LIFE

"That's Life" is compiled by Kim Metz and contains submissions received as of May 12.

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Edward J. Napiwocki retired as director of the Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra after 35 years. His retirement ends an era of one of the longest conductorships of the same orchestra in New Jersey.

Thomas Randazzo is treasurer of the nonprofit Principals Plus. He also published a primary grade coloring book about auto safety. More than 100,000 books have been issued.

Gustav Schmidt and his wife, **Jewel '80**, completed travel throughout the country, spending at least 10 days in each state. The trip was a celebration of the couple's 50th wedding anniversary and the 50th anniversary of his graduation from Montclair State.

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Nancy Schindeler Walordy, co-owner, editor and publisher of Alex Walordy Press, has published two books, *Hot Holleys* and *Holley Tech*.

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Protase E. Woodford ('62 M.A.) was presented with the Outstanding Leadership in the Profession award at the 47th Northeast Conference on the Teaching of Foreign Languages.

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Sharpe James, mayor of Newark since 1986, was appointed to fill the unexpired Senate term of Sen. Wynona Lipman (D-Essex), who was a member of the Senate for 27 years until her death in May 1999.

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Robert Verrone and **William DeGroot** were profiled in the *Herald & News* about their lifelong friendship that evolved into an artistic partnership. Their pop art, including renditions of Elizabeth Taylor's eye and a dripping, hand-held popsicle, was exhibited at a gallery in Totowa.

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Larry Guarino is hosting an athletic reunion Nov. 24 for graduates of Montclair State and the Newark school system. Those interested should call him at 973-733-6974.

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Jerome Fleischer, an elementary school guidance counselor in Henry County, Ky., has completed 31 years in the education system.

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Kathleen Gaffney, a music instructor at Ridgewood Avenue Upper Elementary School in Glen Ridge, was recognized by the town's Board of Education for her 25 years of service. During her career she has taught students from kindergarten through 12th grades.

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Nicholas Michelli, a 30-year veteran of Montclair State who served 20 years as dean of the College of Education and Human Services, has been named dean for Teacher Education at the City University of New York.

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Dolores (Dodi) Buhler-Ballard has been elected to the board of directors for the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association. She also serves on the Early Intervention Committee of the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association. She is the resident speech-language pathologist for the Manasquan Public Schools in Brielle.

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Barbara Collis Prats is a department chair, mentor and teacher of English at Milikan High School in Long Beach, Calif.

Vaughn Vandegrift '70 M.A., who has served as dean of Montclair State's College of Science and Mathematics for 12 years, has been named provost and vice president for academic affairs at Georgia Southern University.

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Jerry Been has been named vice president of human resources for Brother International Corporation, a subsidiary of Brother Industries, Ltd., Nagoya, Japan.

Douglas C. Hamilton has been named controller of MBIA Insurance, Inc.

Robert Tesi M.A. retired as the superintendent of Bloomingdale schools after holding the position for more than seven years.

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Vincent R. Saladini, Sr. M.A. and his wife, Viola, were honored with a surprise 50th wedding anniversary party given by their three children, Denise, Deborah and Vincent, Jr., at The Manor in West Orange.

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Karen Tucker is the newly elected treasurer of the National Institute of Senior Centers, a national organization serving 30,000 senior centers across the country. She has served as finance chairwoman of the organization (constituent of the National Council on Aging) for the past two years and has spent 15 years as executive director of 55 Kip Center, an active senior citizen facility in Rutherford.

Dominick Tolerico M.A., a Dover High School guidance counselor, retired after 28 years of service in the Dover Public Schools.

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Mario Cardinale '80 M.A. is the new superintendent of the Riverdale school system.

Edward J. Lazor has been elected to the board of trustees of the Independent College Fund of New Jersey. He is an assurance partner in charge and managing partner of KMPG's New Jersey office.

Janice White Toliver

Janice White Toliver M.A. has been appointed coordinator of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) in the department of Learner Services at Thomas Edison State College. She will be responsible for identifying resources and referrals, and developing materials and services for students and prospective students with disabilities as well as provide staff development programs on ADA topics.

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Carol Blazejowski was named one of *Sports Illustrated*'s "50 Greatest Sports Figures from New Jersey."

Harold Gunning has been appointed assistant vice president of the Claims Department for Cumberland Insurance Group. He has served as claims manager for the Cumberland Insurance Group for two years.

Elaine L. Nadel has retired as Passaic WIC director. She managed the program for almost 18 years, worked nationally for WIC on legislative issues, was published on the topic of breastfeeding and has given numerous presentations on nutrition.

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Robin Heyward has been appointed supervisor of Special Education by the Pemberton Township Board of Education. She is a member of the board of trustees of Becoming Educated and Motivated about Special Education as well as other special education associations.

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Luciano Corea has been appointed city administrator of Cape May. He comes to the job with more than seven years of experience as a city administrator for the Township of Mount Olive in Budd Lake.

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Teresa "Terry" Bojcik Kearney has been appointed director of finance for Burgdorff ERA's New Jersey-based operation. She has been a certified public accountant for nine years.

Ken Kisselback has been promoted to manager of Facilities, ESH and Security for Lockheed Martin Missiles and Fire Control in Chelmsford, Mass. A certified environmental professional, he is completing a master's degree in Innovation and Technology at Boston University.

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Dianne Marie Traflet was honored at Immaculate Conception High School in Lodi during the second annual Women of Distinction presentation for her academic achievements and leadership in religious studies and spirituality.

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Anne Bodamer had her sculptures displayed at the New Milford Public Library. She also had a piece accepted in the juried 11th Annual Small Works Show at the Center Gallery in the Old Church in New Milford.

John Kirby has been appointed director of Network Planning for AirTran Airways, in charge of strategic planning, aircraft scheduling, alliances and operations analysis in Orlando, Fla.

Linda Rock Strangio M.A. published a book on some of the unusual experiences she has had while on the job at Mountainside Hospital in Montclair. While she tells different stories in *Nurses Notes*, the author focuses on the theme that nurses are human.

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Lorna Smith M.A. has been appointed clinical director of the Van Ost Institute for Family Living, Inc in Englewood. She has been a counselor at the Institute for many years and has dedicated her career to supporting individuals and family members affected by addiction.

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William Cogan has been promoted to director of interactive marketing with ERA Franchise Systems, Inc, overseeing all technology-based marketing initiatives.

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Doug Bollinger is teaming up with screenwriter Andrea Stein in a film project called "Just Lovers," a mystery set at a law firm near the Jersey shore.

Ruthann Quinn has been named business administrator for the Bloomfield school district. She will also serve as the secretary to the Bloomfield school board. Quinn comes to Bloomfield after serving as the Hudson County school business administrator for the past year.

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Fernando Barboto has been named men's soccer coach at Saint Francis College of Pennsylvania located in Loretto.

Carol Ann Benson, an art teacher at the Lincoln School in Fairview, had her acrylic work shown at the Bergenfield Library in an exhibit titled "Odyssey."

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Fatinah K. Hilliard, a student at Rutgers Graduate School of Mangagement, is a recipient of Rutgers University's Ralph Johnson Bunche Fellowships for graduate study. The Bunche Fellowships are awarded annually to students with high academic potential who will promote diversity in university programs.

Taryn Smith collaborated with her brother, Craig A. Smith, to present "At Rest," a pictorial study in granite and marble of Bergen County's colonial cemeteries.

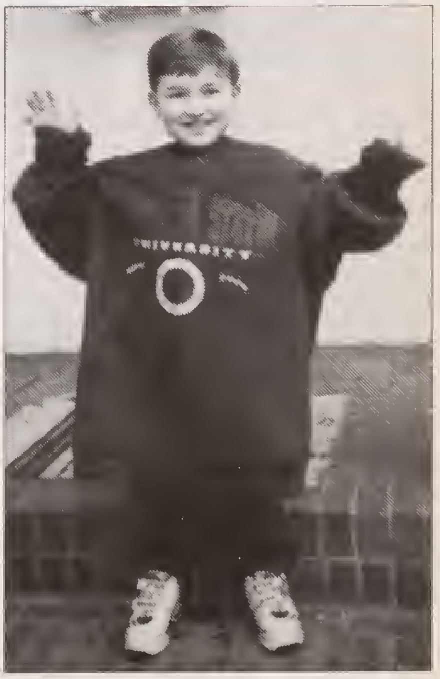
Correction: In the previous issue of *Alumni Life*, the photo of **Patricia Tesman '68** that ran in "That's Life" was incorrect. The person pictured was Brenda Curtis, executive director of the American Cancer Society. Patricia Tesman, vice president of Gianettino & Meredith Advertising in Short Hills who received the 1999 American Cancer Society Volunteer of the Year Award, is pictured below.

Future Alumni?

In response to the request in the winter issue of *Alumni Life*, we have three "future" alumni already dressed for their careers here at MSU. If you have a photo you'd like to send, mail it to the Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Write "Future Alumni Photo" on the envelope.

Nine-week-old Matthew Henry is keeping toasty beneath his MSU sweatshirt. Matthew is the son of ***Jennifer Rodemer Kipp '90.***

Danielle, 5, is practicing hard at tennis in order to follow in her mom's footsteps and one day join the varsity tennis team. Danielle's tennis-playing mom is ***Donna Spector-Kozlosky '82*** *and her dad is* ***John Kozlosky '88.***



Five-year-old ***Steven*** *can't wait to grow into mom's MSU sweatshirt. His mother is* ***Lorraine DiBella Coco '80.***

Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

News about graduates of Panzer College, 1917-1964

A wonderful afternoon was had by all on April 9 at the Panzer College reunion. We were in awe of some our "elder" graduates who are still quite active. **Sue Nunetz Ritz '25** still leads a choral group at age 95; **Sophia Neiworth Shulman '30** has a mineral museum in Livingston open to groups of Scouts and others; and **Jeanette Cohen Casagrande '31** traveled from Cape Coral, Fla. to be with us. Upon returning home Jeanette shared all the news from the reunion with classmate **Grace Torres Scafati '31.** Glad to hear Grace is back to bowling after surgery.

George Miele '32 anxiously is awaiting some good golf weather so he can resume playing. George lives near his daughter, Dorothy, who is teaching at Yale University. Go for that elusive hole-in-one, George. **Bill Kirchner '32** keeps in touch with classmates from '31 and '32 through a newsletter he has been producing for 14 years. These "youngsters" are now in their late 80s and early 90s. Keep that news flowing, Bill.

Arnold Marks '51 and his wife, Sheila, have plenty to be proud of: Their son, Dr. Martin Marks, was elected mayor of Scotch Plains. Arnold and Sheila reside in Coconut Creek, Fla. and celebrated their 40th wedding anniversary with a Mediterranean cruise in May. Wishing you many happy years to come.

Flo Conforti Felaño '53 was the recipient of the Elks National Citizen of the Year Award. Flo was recognized for her commitment, involvement and accomplishments in education, community and church. We are proud of Flo's dedication to people.

Barbara "Randie" Cummings '53 now resides in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Many of us remember Randie at school either singing or whistling a tune to be envied. She is still following that dream and recently cut a CD and tape for her debut album titled "Wanting You Softly." Best wishes for a successful singing career.

Lou Campanelli '60 has been inducted into the James Madison University Sports Hall of Fame. Lou coached the university's basketball team from 1972 to 1985, leading the Dukes to five NCAA tournaments. Quite an accomplishment, Lou.

As living testimony to Panzer's preparation of students for teaching, we received wonderful news about three graduates. All were physical education teachers at the Lake Riviera Middle School in Brick. They each achieved the distinction of being voted "Teacher of the Year." They are **P.K. Lawson Lynch '62** for the 86-87 year, **Rose Uhorclak McGuire '68** for 94-95 and **Deborah Barnfield Kasyan '76** for 99-00. What a wonderful tribute to their teaching careers.

Ruth Van Dyke Schultz '71 has been teaching physical education for 10 years in an elementary school on Hatteras Island, N.C. Ruth extends an invitation to friends passing through to stop in for a visit and chat about old times.

In Memoriam:

Rose Popkin Simon '19, age 100
Allison N. King '28
Elysia Phillip '32
Florence Solomon Rosekein '32
Marvin Tinsky '47
Norman Spencer '51

If you have news for "Panzer Notes," send it to
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Engagements

Mark J. Mitrenga '90 to Theresa Nimmer

Daniel Cooper Marshall '97 to Judith Sterling Brett

In Memoriam

Gladys Geer '17
Dorothy O'Shea Ware '29
Violet Gall Breston '32
Charlotte Neger Kessler '33
Evelyn Cook Hall '35
Ethel Vogel Mossman '35
Carol Sackman Dervitz '36 '70 M.A.
Frances Berghorn '40
Caroline Gelbarth Herwig '40
Albertina Kubic Parr '40
Michael J. Joyce '41
Kenneth H. Koehler '50 '55 M.A.
Clementine M. Lally '53 M.A.
Joan Greenhalgh Winters '55
Veronica Skowronski '59
Cheryl Ann Mosca Metrey '74
Lawrence A. Brandenburg '75 M.A.
Jill Fortunato Deerey '80
William Foschini '83
Frances McCarthy '96
Leonard Umstead '99

Births

To **Jennifer Rodemer-Kipp '90** and husband, Guy, a son, Matthew Henry

To **Holly Hunter Knapp '92** and husband, Bruce, a son, Randall Hunter

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Correction: *In the last issue of* Alumni Life, *Nancy Schindler Walordy '56 was inadvertently included in the "In Memoriam" column. We are happy to report that we've heard from Nancy who is alive and well (see "That's Life" on page 21) as is her sense of humor as she writes, "Please do not drop my name from the mailing list. I like to read both the good and premature news from MSU."*

Letters Policy

All letters are subject to editing. Please include your phone number for verification. Letters can be mailed to Alumni Life, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043; faxed to 973-655-5483; or e-mailed to alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Letters

Dear Editor:

Thank you for continuing to send me *Alumni Life*. I may be one of your oldest graduates at age 92. I graduated in January 1927, taught school in Bayonne for 20 years and in Orange for another 20 years.

Those were proud and happy years. I still have my yearbooks from Montclair. I am grateful for being a student at Montclair Normal School.

Eleanor Wake Gavegan '27
Long Valley, N.J.

Dear Editor:

My husband and I want to send our best wishes to **Dr. Hazel Wacker '33.** She was a great influence on us, especially when I was pursuing a master's degree and working as a teaching assistant. We want to thank **Lois Madden Kelly '56** for continuing Panzer Notes.

Give Dr. Wacker our best and thank her for all she has done for the field and for education. She is a legacy.

Stella Thayer Hageman '69 '74 M.A.
and **Richard Hageman '74**
Salt Lake City, Utah

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Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this spring:

BASEBALL (42-7-1)

Head coach: Norm Schoenig

Every year, 343 baseball teams in Division III begin their season with hopes of a national championship. This year, the crown belongs to Montclair State, which captured its third National Collegiate Athletic Association Baseball Championship (MSU won titles in 1987 and 1993) in Appleton, Wis., capping off the finest season in the 68-year history of the sport. The Red Hawks set a single-season record for victories with 42, etching their names into the record books, becoming the first team since Wisconsin-Oshkosh in 1985 to win the title after losing the first game. After falling to SUNY-Cortland, Montclair roared back winning the last five contests, outscoring their opponents, 41-10. Tournament Most Valuable Player Corey Hamman pitched a complete game in the championship contest as Montclair defeated St. Thomas (Minn.), 6-2. Greg Belson (see page 5) became the first Montclair State pitcher to earn First-Team All-American honors since 1989. Shortstop Brian Ellerson was named New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC), New Jersey Collegiate Baseball Association and Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Player of the Year while Belson was chosen as the NJAC Pitcher of the Year. Coach Schoenig, the NJAC Coach of the Year, reached the 400-win plateau as Montclair defeated Allentown, 14-11, in the Mid-Atlantic Regional, rallying from a 10-0 deficit.

SOFTBALL (31-10-1)

Head coach: Anita Kubicka

After starting the season 1-2 during their annual Florida spring training, the Red Hawks went on a 10-game winning streak to put themselves on the road to their final destination, an Eastern College Athletic Conference championship. Montclair had several notable highlights en route to the championship including capturing the title in the Montclair State/William Paterson annual softball classic and finishing fourth in the New Jersey Athletic Conference. In addition, second base player Tara Wisz capped her illustrious career by earning her fourth All-American trophy while senior Toni Milito and junior Alex Lamont added All-American trophies to their long list of honors and accomplishments.

MEN'S LACROSSE (9-5)

Head coach: Doug Alsofrom

The Red Hawks put together another solid season finishing 9-5, narrowly missing out on a spot in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference tournament. Despite the failed playoff run, the season was a success. Senior Will Van Dorn made the most of his final year leading the team with 84 points while ranking as one of the top scorers in the National Collegiate Athletic Association. Van Dorn, named to the All-Knickerbocker Conference All-Star Team, was at his best in the season finale against the U.S. Merchant Marine Academy, scoring four goals and adding six assists as the Red Hawks posted a 13-12 overtime victory. Defensive standout Scott Hall was named to the Knickerbocker All-Academic Team.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE (8-8)

Head coach: Dawn Strunk

Completing a third season after a 10-year hiatus, the Red Hawks achieved new heights this year. Defeating New England College with a nail-biting 9-8 victory set the tone for the season. Montclair won four of its first six contests before hitting a four-game, mid-season losing skid. The team battled back, however, winning four of its last six games including a 13-12 victory over Vassar College on a last-second goal by freshman Jodi Gangemi to finish out the year at the .500 mark for the first time since the sport was reinstated in 1998.

OUTDOOR TRACK AND FIELD

Head coach: Bennie Benson

The list of National Collegiate Athletic Conference (NCAA) All-Americans grew by three this year as Ed Wheeler and Janice Brenner repeated while Nick Gregorio earned his first All-American accolade. Wheeler earned his second All-American honor as he finished seventh in the long jump with a leap of 23-feet 1 1/4 inches, while Brenner closed out her outstanding career placing fourth in the 100 hurdles with a time of 14.59. It was the third consecutive year Brenner has been named an All-American during the outdoor season. Gregorio placed sixth in the shot put with a throw of 52-feet 9 1/2 inches. Three other Red Hawks qualified for the NCAA Division III Championships in Illinois: Alex Torres (400 meters), Nick Serpico (javelin) and Alex Yajl (high jump).

MEN'S GOLF

Head Coach: Bob Downey

Rain played havoc with the Red Hawk golf schedule this spring. But when the skies were clear, MSU displayed the type of golf it could play. The Red Hawks finished fourth at the Susquehanna University Invitational as Matt Peterson tied for seventh. Montclair also placed sixth at the Moravian Spring Tournament in mid-April with D.J. Schmidt finishing in the Top 20. Finally, the Red Hawks took second at the MSU Invitational in May. They missed out on the team title by two strokes, falling to Division I St. Peter's. Peterson and Ron Gerhold finished tied for third place in the Invitational contested at the Crestmont Country Club.

MEN'S TENNIS (1-6)

Head coach: Anthony Shortt

With four matches cancelled due to inclement weather, the rainbow after the storm came in the form of a 6-1 victory over Division II East Stroudsburg as the season drew to a close. The victory bodes well for the Red Hawks as they prepare for next season.

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Professor Ron Hollander of the English Department braved the cold to photograph one of the vanishing breed of China's steam locomotives as it coasts through a switch high in the Jing Peng mountain pass in Inner Mongolia. (See story on page 4.)

Couple's gift fosters love of science

ADRIENNE HOWELL '00

For 15 Montclair High School students, an electron microscope is providing a vision for the future—a future Josh and Judy Weston hope includes work in science, math and technology.

The couple's own vision and generosity launched a unique collaboration this year between Montclair State University and Montclair High School. As the first cohort of Weston Science Scholars, freshmen and sophomores at Montclair High School had the opportunity to delve into scientific research this summer. The Westons, residents of Montclair for more than 30 years, funded the five-week pilot program that took place on campus. "Our goal is to turn more students on to science, math and technology," said Mr. Weston, who retired as chairman of the board of Automatic Data Processing in 1998. "We want to give them a head start so they are particularly advantaged by the time they get to college."

In addition to maintaining high academic standings in mathematics and the sciences, applicants were required to submit an essay relating to science and technology. They also were interviewed by a panel of faculty members, including Montclair State biology instructor

(See "Weston Science Scholars," page 6)

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The Inside Track

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

Throughout recent issues of *Alumni Life* there have been many references to "chapters." A chapter of the Montclair State University Alumni Association (MSUAA) is a branch of the Association under the umbrella and auspices of the Alumni Association. Chapters are subject to the rules of the Association as defined in its bylaws and in the Chapter Guidelines Agreement. Chapters can represent regional, school, college, department or other shared interests.

Several years ago, during an MSUAA Board discussion about ways to increase alumni involvement, the idea of creating chapters was discussed. It was generally agreed that many alumni relate more to a specific group or other tie when remembering their days at Montclair State. Because shared interest groups were, and still are, getting together both formally and informally, the Board thought these groups and the Alumni Association could work together. Bylaws were written, chapter guidelines agreed upon and a chapter formation procedure was hammered out. The result is a tool that should allow for the birth of many great MSUAA alumni chapters.

Let me tell you how easy it is to establish a chapter. All members (there must be a minimum of 20) of the proposed chapter must be active members of the MSUAA. An active member is defined as one who makes a financial donation to the Alumni Association annually. The membership list must be made available to the Board, and an election of officers must be held. The chapter must, of course, have a purpose—one that does not represent the same interests of an already established chapter.

Once a group meets the eligibility criteria, it submits a presentation, both in writing and in person, to the MSUAA Executive Board. Members will tell us the purpose of the chapter, the activities that are planned and how becoming a chapter would benefit interested alumni. Don't be intimidated. The Alumni Board is a friendly group, anxious to help get your chapter up and running.

After the chapter is approved there are some added benefits. Chapter presidents automatically serve as ex-officio members of the MSUAA Executive Board. While chapter presidents do not have a vote, their input is valuable. Perhaps one of the best benefits is that seed money is available to get a chapter started. This money can be used for postage, duplicating and general event expenses. In return, the Chapter must agree to operate in accordance with the MSUAA bylaws and comply with the requirements of a nonprofit, tax-exempt organization.

I know there are many of you who get together with fraternity brothers and sorority sisters, provide scholarship support, mentor through employment or provide professional development through group opportunities. The possibilities are endless. Organize and become a chapter.

For more information, call Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141 or e-mail me at mhait@westwood.k12.nj.us. We would be happy to answer your questions or meet with your group to get your chapter started.

Dr. Susan A. Cole
President, Montclair State University

Like an intricate puzzle, the pieces to Montclair State's physical development plan are falling into place. In my last message, I talked about how we were beginning to create a plan for the 21st century to expand campus facilities, introduce state-of-the-art technology and ensure the highest quality of education and student life at Montclair State. I am happy to report that many of those plans are well underway and several major projects are beginning to take shape.

As our student population expands, and Montclair State's extensive arts programming and public offerings continue to attract visitors, the University's first major parking facility will be a much-needed addition to our growing campus. Designed to hold more than 1,000 vehicles, this attractive, modern facility will be located across from College Hall, and will allow for easy access to and from campus. Adjacent to the parking garage will be a state-of-the-art 500-seat theater, with an entry plaza designed to integrate the historic amphitheater into the campus setting. The project design will replicate our distinctive mission-style architecture. The theater will be used for our exceptional music programs, as well as theater and dance. The facility also will include an attractive café.

One of the University's highest priorities is the construction of a new facility that will house the College of Education and Human Services. This building, the largest and most comprehensive ever built on campus, will include fully mediated classrooms for University-wide programmatic needs, a campus technology hub and a conference facility that will house a rooftop restaurant with a magnificent view.

Increasing student residence opportunities has been one of my primary focuses. This summer, Montclair State succeeded in acquiring the single largest special legislative appropriation of any institution of higher education in the state when we received a $3 million grant and a $3.5 million zero-interest loan to purchase a 30-acre undeveloped tract off Clove Road for student residences. Keeping with the signature Spanish-mission style of the University, the stylish new apartments will house between 500 and 700 students.

We are also in the early stage of a new Children's Center that will house two growing programs for the youngest members of our campus—the Child Care Center and Psychoeducational Center. And a plan for a '50s-style, 24-hour diner near the Student Center has begun to whet everyone's appetites.

Of all the projects on the horizon, I believe the new theater and renovation of the amphitheater will capture the hearts and imaginations of our alumni. The Spanish mission-style architecture of this new facility, set at the campus's most prominent access way, reflects the University's heritage; the theater underscores the University's long history of excellence in the arts; and the amphitheater is a place of great personal meaning and fond memories for generations of Montclair State graduates. I will be counting on the generosity of our alumni to support this most exciting project.

These are ambitious times. And while it is certainly one of growth and development, it also is a time to embrace the University's tradition and heritage. The Montclair State you love will come with us into the future, in a new and expanded way. Come back to visit and watch us grow!

Alumni Profile

Laureen Ong '74

BY PERRY JONES '99

Rewind to 1981. Laureen Ong '74 is sitting in a sports marketing meeting surrounded by men determined to prove the Asian female knows little, if anything, about sports. A baseball trivia contest ensues and Ong is shot looks that challenge her knowledge and ability. Not about to succumb to the pressure, Ong stands her ground. "I understand good business and we are in business," she firmly told her colleagues. "We are not a trivia contest. Sports is a commodity like anything else."

Fast-forward to 2000. With a successful career in sports television to her credit, Ong is named president of *National Geographic's* new domestic channel. The channel already has more than 50 million subscribers in over 60 countries, and the United States launch has supporters including AT&T and DirecTV. This time there's no one doubting Ong's abilities.

"In every situation where I faced adversity, all my opportunities bubbled to the surface," she said.

Throughout her career, Ong has seized opportunity. While attending night school at Columbia University to earn a master's degree in communications, she worked during the summer at a small television network in Manhattan. She and her boss left that job to form a company called Sports Syndication. But she didn't stop there. She went on to become program director for CBS Sports Spectacular and eventually landed a position with the Chicago White Sox as executive producer and vice president, where she remained for seven years. She also helped start up one of the first regional sports networks in the country.

And now, in her most recent appointment, Ong once again is ready to take on new challenges. "I enjoy being a pioneer," said the 48-year-old New York City native.

The new 24-hour channel, a joint venture between *National Geographic* and Fox Cable Channels Group, will have a board of directors with an equal number of representatives from Fox and *National Geographic.*

For the past three years, Ong has served as vice president and general manager of WTTG-TV in Washington D.C., one of Fox's most successful television stations. When the *National Geographic* position presented itself she accepted without hesitation. Her new responsibilities encompass the launch of the new station, its development and oversight of its daily operations. "I love start-ups," she said. "I love bringing a team together so this affords me all the things I enjoy doing and the things I'm good at." Her first order of business will be to hire 120 people and launch the channel by the January target.

"In life you have to be good and you have to be lucky. You also have to recognize opportunities and take advantage of them," she said. Ong consistently has taken her own advice. During her junior year at Montclair State, she traveled abroad to study math and theater at Bishop Groestef College in England. "Up until that point I had never lived away from home," she explained. "That was a good experience. That period of time was really more about immersing myself in the culture and the people. It was wonderful. It helped set the stage for what I'm doing now with *National Geographic.* Clearly, a lot of what we do is related to examining other cultures."

She began her studies at Montclair as a math major. "I thought I was really good in math until I became a math major," she said, laughing. "And now you can see how it drove me into the communications field." Instead of dropping her math major, Ong added speech and theater as a second major. Ong even student taught in Manhattan in anticipation of becoming a teacher of speech arts.

As she reminisced about her days at Montclair she spoke of former professor Dr. Max Sobel. "What I loved about Dr. Sobel was his attitude. I remember that more than anything else. He had a fabulous attitude and he was very inspiring." She was student teaching when she landed the job at TVS, a now defunct independent television network that syndicated sports programming. "Dr. Sobel knew about the job and he said to me, 'It will really be a shame and teaching will lose something if you don't go into teaching.' But throughout my entire career I've taught and mentored a lot of people. So, to let him know, I do teach, just not formally. What you go to school for, where you start your career and where you end up can be very different. People need to be open to opportunities and to ideas and not box themselves in."

Ong and her husband, Richard, have a house in Phoenix, Ariz. Her husband manages the house and the dogs. "I'm lucky I have a good partner who helps me. In fact, he'll be moving to D.C. to join me in a couple of months. He does a great deal to make our lives comfortable and easy so I can do what I do."

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC CHANNEL

The National Geographic Channel plans to premiere more than 400 hours of original programming during its first year. The domestic channel will offer a daily live newscast, "National Geographic Today," and a full slate of primetime programming.

A joint venture of National Geographic Television and Fox Cable Channels Group, the channel will offer unique access to the world via a global web of leading explorers, scientists, environmentalists, filmmakers and photographers.

Targeted to adults and families, the channel's primetime programming will include "On the Edge," dedicated to high adventure; "Return to the Wild," which will report on the world of wildlife rehabilitation in some of the most far-flung locations on earth; "Treasure Seekers," which will follow the paths of history's greatest and most daring adventurers; and "Sea Stories," about exploration and research into the mysteries of the deep sea.

March 4...On the train: "I love being on a train in China. Such a feeling of the perfect life. I'm here, feeling, being, observing and it's exactly where I should be."

A pig wanders across a village path in the mountains of Inner Mongolia (above), while in the city of Baotou, a freight steams east past a not-so-busy grade crossing (above right).

'Cinders and Dumplings'

Ron Hollander, professor of English and coordinator of the Journalism Program, spent spring break in the mountains of Inner Mongolia, photographing and videotaping China's vanishing steam railroads for his book, Cinders and Dumplings: Walking the Rails in China. *Upon his return he brought the world of Inner Mongolia to his classroom.*

"Alone? You went ALONE?"

That word, and the disbelief accompanying it, fairly screamed from my students seated around the seminar table in my interpretive journalism class. On the overhead monitor, the video I had shot showed snow swirling in a mud-walled barnyard in China's Inner Mongolia while a stooped, leathery farmer with a homemade rake spread silage to shaggy, winter-coated cows.

But my students, mostly senior journalism minors, had concentration only for the circumstances of the trip. Their questions reflected the gulf they saw between their young lives and actually practicing international journalism where their experiences would be part of the story.

"What did you eat?" "Where did you go to the bathroom?" And most of all, "Weren't you scared?"

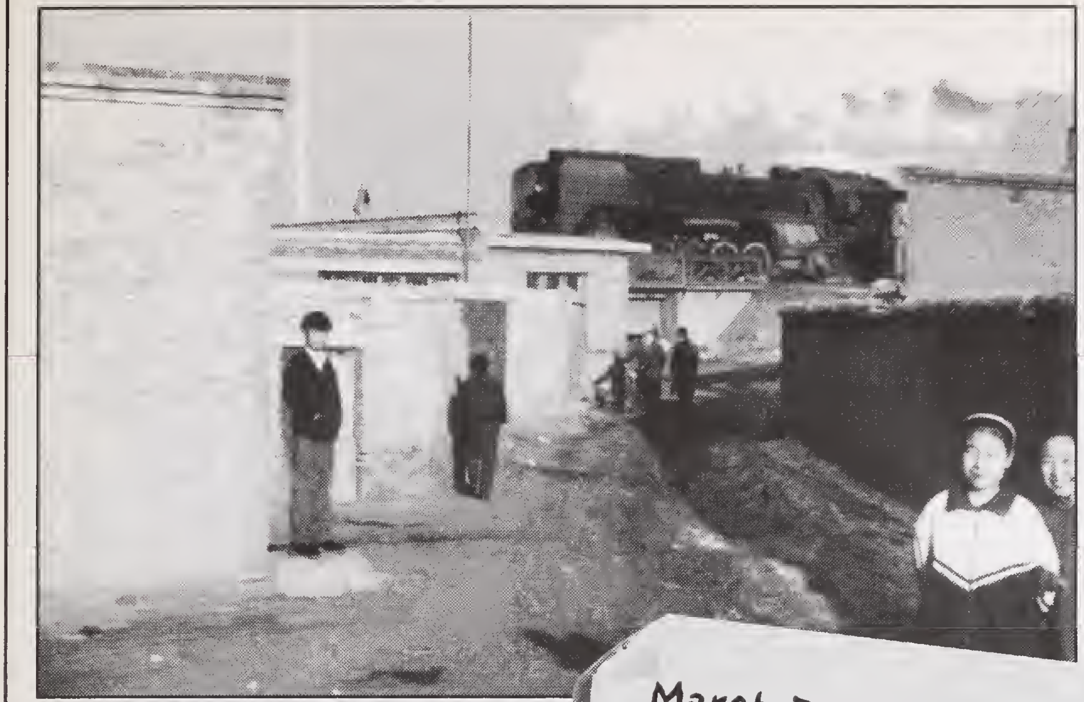
In truth, their questions had some legitimacy. The town of Reshui, where I stayed for a week in near-zero weather, is literally not on the map. Going initially to Beijing, where I lived for nearly two years as a Fulbright Professor, was as familiar as going to Manhattan. But to reach Reshui in the Jing Peng pass of the Da Hinggang mountains, I had to take a train 10 hours north-northeast, and then a standing-room-only bus for another four hours.

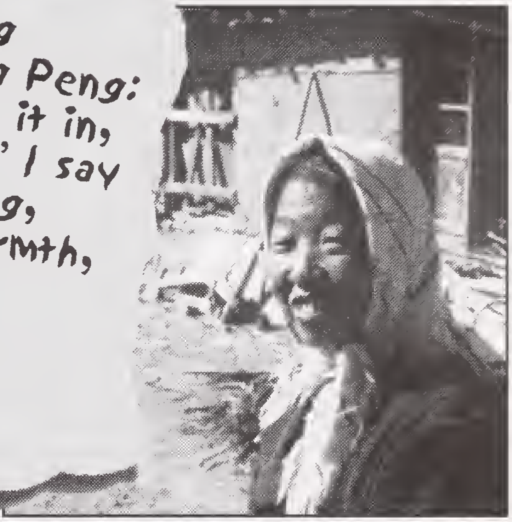
The video shifted to the minimalist interior of the two-room, stone farmhouse. A kang (raised, heated platform) took up a corner where the farmer, his wife and presumably the grandmother slept, all assuredly in several layers of long underwear. The floor was concrete and there was a stone, coal-fired stove. Decorations were few: A white bust of Chairman Mao; a wall calendar with a picture of a gold clipper ship; a large frame with black and white family photos of babies, school groups, young men in military uniform, an old woman in a garden. In answer to my students' question, the toilet was outside, but there was electricity and a TV on a red lacquered chest.

The seminar room was quiet as my students struggled to put themselves in that farmhouse on the other side of the world, even if just for the few hours I spent sheltering there from the snow between passing trains. Now they were fascinated; this was the National Geographic in their classroom.

"What did you talk about?" they asked, letting go their worries about physical comfort and starting to focus on how they as reporters would convey this story of a culture so different from their own.

March 5..After climbing a hill above Reshui: "Exhausted. Sitting on rock, still panting. Have rail fans died up here? Will I be the first? I envision a provincial official explaining to his superior: 'He'd lived in China for two years. How was I to know he'd keel over?' "





March 7..After visiting farmer outside of Jing Peng: "I just sit and breathe it in, in, in. 'God, I love this,' I say out loud. Love traveling, seeing. Touched by warmth, hospitality, acceptance with almost not a word between us."

We didn't talk, I explained to their puzzled frowns. They didn't speak English and their local Chinese dialect was impenetrable to my school-boy Mandarin. But there are other ways of "talking." I gave the farmer a Times Square souvenir key chain with the American flag, which he held up admiringly before looping it on a button like a medal on his blue, Mao-style jacket. His wife, holding a white, miniature Pekinese in her arm, gave me a welcome cup of hot water in a chipped, tin mug. Thus we "talked," each staring unabashedly at the other, hungry for every detail of face and gesture.

"Weren't you lonely?" they asked, caucusing among themselves and deciding that they certainly would be, bereft of friends, a car and music.

Sure, I said, I missed my wife and daughter. But there was the sheer joy, the exuberance of really traveling where you leave the tourist cocoon and move into another's world. Holding up one of the black pocket notebooks that have kept me company on journalistic trips from the Amazon to the Seychelles, I read to my students my entry of March 4 aboard the train heading north from Beijing. I was in "hard seat," the lowest class of train travel, though classless China would never so designate it, and all around me were faces different from mine.

On page 20 I had written, "To my students: Children, go forth! Go out! You have no idea of the wonders the world holds for you."

My students heard it and nodded and tried to absorb it. But still the doubts persisted: "But what if something happened to you?"

On the monitor, the video returned to the outside. The sky was as grey as the hills and snow was still swirling, but across the valley a long trail of smoke marked a train climbing the pass and I wanted to catch it at the trestle. The farmer, whose name I never learned, stood at his gate framed by red and gold streamers celebrating the New Year holiday that just passed. He waved and gestured to himself, and though I understood not a word, I knew he was saying to come back.

In class, I read again to my students from page 60 of my notebook, written as I trudged up the hill to the train trestle: "I'm thinking a lot about my students. How I have to convey to them how full and rich life is. If only they can set aside their fears and take it."

As I finished, the class was now with me. They asked if the next day they could see some of my slides.

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Pictured clockwise, a side lane in Baotou; an elder at Reshui's outdoor market; a woman happy in her yard; and pedicabs in the Baotou rail yard.

Weston Science Scholars

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and director of the Weston Science Scholars Program, Lynn English; and Montclair High School's Science Department chair, Dede Portas.

At the orientation in June, the student scholars had an opportunity to introduce themselves to the Westons, who are both actively involved in civic activities and worthy causes. Mrs. Weston, an MSU alumna (M.A. '77), is a past president of the Montclair Adult School and currently sits on its Board of Directors. She also was a counselor with the Jewish Vocational Service of East Orange. Mr. Weston, who received an honorary degree from MSU in 1997, is president of the Josh and Judy Weston Family Foundation of Montclair. He also is actively involved with MSU's School of Business, launching the M.B.A. program's popular Executive Perspective course that brings top-level executives from major corporations to speak to M.B.A. students. And through ADP, he helped establish scholarships for students in the Honors Program.

Weston Scholar Alexa Hamilton (left) and Dr. Matt Gorring examine a Precambrian metamorphic rock sample from the New Jersey and Hudson Highlands.

Before the Weston Science Scholars began, the students had the opportunity to hear the faculty mentors describe their original research topics, which ranged from evolutionary biology and animal behavior to the death of cells.

"I hope the students will gain the feeling that they want to pursue science, math or engineering," said Mrs. Weston. "I believe they all will benefit from this hands-on experience with people in the field." The five weeks of original scientific research commenced in July and the scholars presented their portfolios of results at the First Scientific Research Colloquium held Aug. 3.

"I was impressed with the presentations by the Weston Scholars," said Dr. Kenneth Wolff, acting dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. "The variety of research undertaken, methods and tools used, and results obtained were clearly the result of good scientific practices."

"The mentors are artisans of scientific thought and, in their own way, they truly have felt that they're responsible for developing a true love of science in these kids," said English. "The ultimate success of the program met everyone's expectations. The last night was bittersweet because we had developed close scientific friendships and wonderful relationships."

The three Weston Science Scholars in Dr. James Campanella's group—Megan Patterson, Michael Vomacka and Jason Herron—concluded their research with the identification of an ILR1 homologous gene in two Arabidopsis plant species. "I'm very impressed with the abilities of these students," Campanella said.

Herron found the experience to be challenging. "This lab is complex and requires you to think and be active," he said. "That's why I like it."

The daily routine for the scholars included research in the morning followed by afternoon mathematical sessions that were directly applicable to their research, ending with hands-on laboratory or on-site field experiences. Throughout the program, the scholars enjoyed various field experiences, including a trip to the American Museum of Natural History to view the Hall of Biodiversity and a voyage with the Westons into the Frederick Phineas and Sandra Priest Rose Center for Earth and Space.

The scientific endeavors will extend to the end of the year as the scholars meet in the fall for a trip to the Bronx Zoo and to Montclair State's own New Jersey School of Conservation in Branchville, N.J. Faculty from Montclair High School will be at Montclair State this fall to fulfill some of the 100 hours of instruction and use on the electron microscope. "We want to best utilize what Montclair State University has to offer and follow through with what the kids did this summer," said Portas. "I am so impressed with this program and the students. I hope we will instill a love of science that they'll carry with them for the rest of their lives. They were exposed to the true nature of science and the realities of being a scientist."

English agreed. "The Weston program was engaging, enlightening and empowering," she said. "The laboratory research projects provided students with an atmosphere of problem solving, inquiry and active participation. As we plan for the 2001 activities, I feel confident in moving forward as we reflect on our accomplishments." Scholars for the next summer program will be selected in March.

"In today's society there are two things that are very important," said Mr. Weston. "One is education for all students. The other is improved scientific accomplishment to produce all kinds of advancements in medicine, the Internet and in every device we use to improve the quality of life in society all over the world. It all starts with science." ◆

The RESEARCH Projects

In Dr. Scott Kight's laboratory, Weston Scholars Aasim Cunningham and Jafreen Uddin studied the population biology of hydra—small invertebrate animals with numerous stinging tentacles. The project involved placing a large number of experimental populations under different kinds of evolutionary selection. Because the hydra were reproducing asexually, the groups were expected to respond differently than sexually-reproducing populations under natural selection. Cunningham and Uddin discovered that hydra with more tentacles appear to be at a selective advantage, which may be associated with more efficient feeding or developmental stability.

Dr. James Campanella (second from right) explains how a micropipette works to Weston Scholars Michael Vomacka, Jason Herron and Megan Patterson, all students at Montclair High School.

Dr. Reginald Halaby's Weston Scholar, Ashley Barrow, investigated if T-47D human breast cancer cells die by apoptosis—a form of cell suicide. All animal cells possess the genes necessary to activate this death program. Halaby and Barrow had planned on inducing apoptosis in the cells by treating them with tumor necrosis factor alpha. They were, however, unable to get a sufficient number of cells because the cells grew very slowly. Barrow did, however, learn how to distinguish cancer cells from normal cells by light microscopy, how to count cells and how to prepare medium for the cells.

Weston Scholars Ashley Barrow, Meghan O'Brien, Kristen vonHoffmann and Krystal Williams teamed up with Dr. Lee Lee on two major projects: a study of the effect of heavy metals on the cyanobacteria Anacystis nidulans (unicellular blue green algae that have served as indicator species for environmental contamination by EPA targeted heavy metals) and a project to evaluate the available consumer products for mouthwash, disinfectants, antiseptics and hand soap.

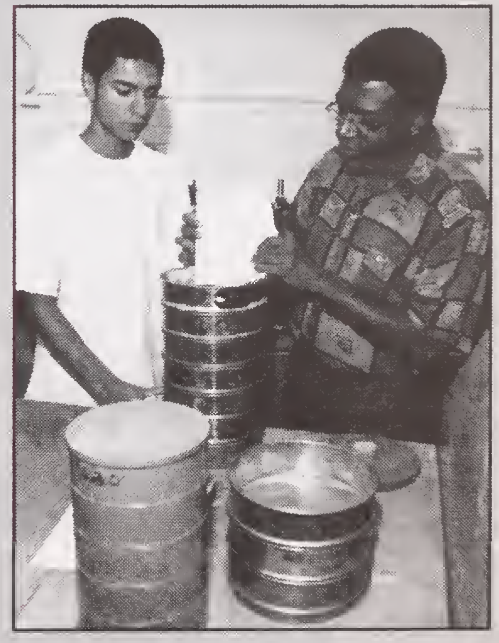
In the first study, ferric chloride in different concentrations was used to detect the effect of this metal on the growth of A. nidulans. In the second study, the students collected microorganism samples, isolated the pure cultures then evaluated the consumer products by using the disk diffusion method. The results were presented by comparing the zone of inhibition generated by the products and the unit prices of various products.

Weston Scholar Deirdre Kelleher worked with Dr. Renata Bailey to analyze soil samples taken from Stokes State Forest to measure for trace metals, pH and soil type. Quantification of the background levels of metals at a rural non-impacted site from anthropogenic sources in the Northwest region, such as Stokes State Forest, can be used to establish background levels of contaminates such as trace metals that are naturally present in soil. These levels will be compared in the future to soil samples taken at the New Jersey School of Conservation, located within Stokes States Forest, to determine if there are any potential pollution sources that may impact air sampling currently taking place.

Weston scholars Alexa Hamilton, Andres DePalma and Haley Zimmerman conducted geologic research on a suite of Precambrian metamorphic rocks (mostly gneisses) from the New Jersey and Hudson Highlands. According to their faculty mentor, Dr. Matt Gorring, "These are some of the oldest rocks in the Appalachian Mountains and are thought to represent volcanic rocks that erupted in this region more than one billion years ago." The scholars' main research objectives were to prepare, analyze and interpret mineralogic and chemical data from representative samples from various localities in order to determine whether these gneisses were actually volcanic in origin and, if so, what tectonic setting they formed in. The scholars found that the data strongly pointed to a volcanic origin and that they were strikingly similar to modern volcanic rocks from the Andes Mountains of South America. Their results indicate that a continental subduction zone, comparable to the tectonic situation that is producing volcanism along the Andes today, existed in this region of the Appalachians between 1.1 and 1.3 billion years ago. This research has led to a better understanding of the ancient geologic history of the New Jersey Highlands and will be used to guide further geologic investigation of the region.

Dr. Duke Ophori and Weston Scholars Stephanee Anderson and Kazim Mirza conducted an analysis of Darcy's Law in a laboratory flow tank experiment. Ophori explained that although the amount of water (q) flowing through underground rocks cannot be measured directly, certain measurable parameters at ground surface—such as hydraulic conductivity (K) and hydraulic gradient (dh/dl)—can be used to estimate how much water is flowing in the ground. In their study, the group determined K using the Hazen's method of grain-size laboratory analysis, and measured dh/dl in a sand flow-tank designed to simulate groundwater flow in the laboratory in order to estimate the quantity of water flowing through the sand. Results showed Darcy's Law can be used to estimate the amount of groundwater flowing through the sand (simulating underground flow) within one order of magnitude.

Weston scholars Michael Vomacka, Megan Patterson and Jason Herron studied what is essentially a question of molecular evolution. With their faculty mentor, Dr. James Campanella, the students hypothesized that if "non-coding" DNA (DNA that does code for proteins) was similar, it was possible that "coding" DNA (genes) also was similar. The enzyme ILR1 controls certain growth hormone levels in Arabidopsis thaliana. Campanella and the Weston Scholars examined whether the enzyme could be isolated from A. wallichii and A. suecica. The students found that A. suecica does have a similar ILR1 gene, which has not changed over time despite the divergence of the two species. They also found that A. wallichi, despite evidence for having a copy of ILR1, has mutated enough so the ends of the gene have changed over evolutionary time.



Kazim Mirza (left) works with Dr. Duke Ophori on an analysis of Darcy's Law.

Spanning the University

CAMPUS NEWS

MSU establishes first campus Lions Club

Montclair State is the first university in New Jersey to start a campus Lions Club. Approximately 45 faculty members and students were inducted as members at a charter luncheon this spring.

"It is a special privilege to be a charter member," said Lions Club District Governor Mary Devon O'Brien. "Lions look for young people. I can't think of a better example than this Lions Club to be able to put that into action. Youth exchange is an important element. I look forward to hearing about what is done at Montclair State."

"It's a great commitment to service," said Chapter President John O'Brien of Academic Technology. "We have a lot of work cut out for us, but there's going to be a lot of joy and rewards we will deliver."

The Lions organization, established in 1917, works primarily to prevent and cure blindness, and has global interests and objectives.

"We are an organization of 1.4 million and we have more than 44,000 clubs, and more than 700 districts in 185 countries," explained Stanley Grossman, international director and 33-year Lions Club member. "We're the world's largest service organization."

The Montclair State chapter will partner with the Montclair Township Lions Club in several activities.

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John O'Brien (second from left), president of the Montclair State chapter of the Lions Club, proudly displays the Lions Club International seal with (from left) Stanley Grossman, international director; Stanley Henry, secretary, MSU chapter; Mary Devon O'Brien, outgoing district governor; and Carlos Santos, incoming district governor.

U.S. News, Kaplan rank MSU as a top university

U.S. News & World Report has ranked MSU eighth among the top Northern public universities in its 2001 edition of *America's Best Colleges* guidebook, just weeks after the *Kaplan/Newsweek College Catalog 2001* recognized Montclair State University as one of the best values in Higher Education.

In compiling its rankings, *U.S. News* looked at an institution's academic reputation (25 percent of the final score), student selectivity (15 percent), faculty resources (20 percent), graduation and retention rate (25 percent), financial resources (10 percent) and alumni giving (5 percent).

The magazine placed colleges and universities in categories derived from those established by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching: national universities, national liberal arts colleges, regional universities and regional liberal arts colleges. The regional schools were placed in one of four geographic regions: North, South, Midwest and West.

MSU is one of the 505 "regional universities" in the guidebook's listings. Regional universities are those that "offer a full range of undergraduate programs and some master's degrees but few, if any, doctoral programs."

In *College Catalog 2001*, MSU is listed among a select group of seven colleges and universities in the northeast that "offer the best value (quality of education versus cost) for your tuition dollar."

According to the guidebook, Montclair State is a "recommended" institution—a school guidance counselors believe offers outstanding value.

"Our overriding goal has been, and will continue to be, to provide the best possible education at the lowest possible cost to students and their families," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "We are confident that we are doing a good job of providing a quality education at an affordable price. It is gratifying when an independent source confirms what we already know: You just can't beat a Montclair State education for value or price."

College Catalog 2001 utilized a national market research firm to survey a random sample of U.S. public, private and Catholic high schools. The foundation of the survey was telephone interviews with high school guidance counselors. In addition to the statistical information, guidance counselors were invited to share insights about the colleges with which they were most familiar.

Student wins Gates Scholarship

Student Ramon Galinanes, Jr. thinks nothing of giving freely of his time. "I love doing volunteer work," said the senior history education major. "I feel that my role on earth is not to make a lot of money, but instead to make a positive contribution to society by dedicating most of my time to the poor and the oppressed. That's what I'm all about."

It's no wonder Galinanes has been named a Gates Millennium Foundation Scholarship winner. Created by Melinda and Bill Gates to promote academic excellence, the scholarship provides an opportunity for thousands of outstanding students to reach their fullest potential.

The goal of the scholarship is to foster a generation of leaders by providing access to higher education for minority students who have achieved academic success and shown leadership promise.

Galinanes demonstrated leadership ability through participation in community service and extracurricular activities, something the Gates Foundation looks for in a potential winner. He spent many hours volunteering at the Youth Consultation Service and being a tutor for the Literacy Volunteers of America.

In addition to the scholarship, Galinanes won a Global Volunteers grant to visit Tanzania, Africa for a month this summer. There he continued his volunteer work enhancing the school community and teaching English and basic literacy. Galinanes will earn a teaching certification in about a year, then plans on attending graduate school and eventually becoming a history professor.

Is "That's Life" really life at Montclair State?

"That's Life," an autobiographical ensemble drama conceived and written by former Montclair State student Diane Ruggiero, debuted on the CBS network this fall. The series is broadcast Saturdays from 8 to 9 p.m., the time slot held for five years by "Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman."

Lydia Savage, played by Heather Paige Kent, is a 30-something woman from New Jersey who abruptly ends her engagement and decides to enroll in Montville University. (The name "Montclair State" couldn't be used in the show for legal reasons.)

A film crew was on campus this spring to take footage of the University, even though the show is being filmed in Los Angeles.

Debi Mazur, Kristin Bauer, Paul Sorvino and Kevin Dillon round out the cast, along with five-time Oscar nominee and Best Actress winner Ellen Burstyn as Lydia's mother. (You may also remember Burstyn for her performance in TheatreFest's "The Trip to Bountiful" in 1993.)

Ruggiero, 29, attended MSU at various times from 1991 to 1996. She was selected to write "That's Life" from more than 100 scripts submitted to CBS.

Ruggiero grew up in Old Bridge, where her father was a maintenance worker for the New Jersey Turnpike for 30 years (in the series, Sorvino plays the father who works as a toll collector). After high school, Ruggiero kept writing and attending classes at MSU. To make ends meet, she worked as a waitress at Park and Orchard Restaurant in East Rutherford.

Ruggiero apparently got her break when a restaurant patron read her work and gave her screenplay, "Pretty the Beast," to agents at International Creative Management. The script is expected to be turned into a film by Nora Ephron.

Three awarded Fulbright Scholar grants

Three Montclair State professors received grants this year to travel abroad on Fulbright Scholar Program grants: Nancy Tumposky, Department of Curriculum and Teaching; Sang Moon Kim, Department of Economics and Finance; and Fawzia Afzal-Khan, Department of English.

The Fulbright Scholar Program is designed for scholars who want to lecture, conduct research or participate in special seminars abroad.

Tumposky will teach methods and English as a foreign language in January at Comenius University in the Slovak Republic.

"Slovakia is an emerging democracy that is trying to figure out how to educate its teachers in a new political environment,"

Take-out...*Susanne Barna had her fill of Chinese food this summer when the Montclair State student joined the* Star-Ledger's *Munchmobile for an all-day eating excursion that included everything from wonton soup and chicken broccoli to tofu ice cream and frog legs. Barna was selected this spring to be one of 12 guest munchers on the newspaper's famous hotdog-topped minibus that rolls through the Garden State all summer long in search of the state's culinary finest. Barna joined the 2000 Munch team, which included a newspaper reporter and photographer, and a reporter and cameraperson from News 12 New Jersey.*

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Recent renovations to the University Bookstore make it more spacious and user friendly.

Tumposky said. "It's a topic that is very appealing to me. I want to bring my expertise to them, and also bring some of their ideas back to the United States."

Kim left the country in July for a year of lecturing and research in Korea, where he is teaching finance courses at Ankuk University in Seoul and researching the analysis of tax incentives offered by the Korean government.

Afzal-Khan left for Pakistan in September to spend six months at the Women's Studies Institute of Lahore. Her lectures are related to her work in theater and the women's movement, which coincides with the research she is conducting for her book, *Pakistani Alternative Theater and the Women's Movement*.

University Bookstore gets a facelift

The University Bookstore is displaying a new look. Renovations on the 9,000-square-foot facility began in July and were completed by the opening of the fall semester. The $250,000 renovation project was financed by Follett Higher Education Group.

"The renovations give students a more enriched and relaxed shopping experience," said 14-year MSU veteran Richard Ammerman, general manager of the University Bookstore.

Alumnus Chris Phillips, a visiting scholar in the Philosophy for Children Program, agrees. "I think the renovations make the Bookstore more user-friendly," he said.

Two Apple computer demonstration units, the G4 Cube and the current version of the IMAC, located in the front of the store, serve as customer Internet workstations.

Student productions win Gracie Award

Two Montclair State student productions received honorable mention at the 25th annual American Women in Radio and Television Gracie Allen Awards, hosted by Kathie Lee Gifford.

Jody Beesley, Brian Cohen and Robert Spear were recognized in the Magazine/Television category for "Carpe Diem: Out of the Broom Closet," a production about modern-day witches. Tina Govic, Melissa Butler and Arrate Isusi received recognition for their public service announcement "You're Not Alone," which dealt with domestic violence.

Twenty MSU students attended the event held at the Hudson Theatre on Broadway. Presenters included news anchors Dan Rather and Roz Abrams; Hillary Rodham Clinton; talk show hosts Montel Williams and Leeza Gibbons; and Joy Behar and Meredith Viera of "The View," among others.

Business news shown 24-7 in Partridge Hall

Students now have access to instant business information via CNBC thanks to the recent installation of a satellite dish on the roof of Partridge Hall.

Two television monitors located in the building's lobby were connected to existing conduits on the roof to provide a continual broadcast of CNBC via satellite. The School of Business purchased the satellite dish for approximately $500 and is paying for the cable channel broadcast, which is about $20 per month.

"Having the CNBC broadcast creates an atmosphere of learning about business on a daily basis," said Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business, which recently earned accreditation from AACSB—The International Association for Management Education, the premier accrediting agency for business schools.

"Students will gain a knowledge of what's going on in the business world because the station airs important interviews and continually shows stock market quotes."

MSU co-sponsors China conference on global business

The Fourth China Conference, sponsored by Montclair State University and the University of International Business and Economics, was held in Beijing, China, June 21-24. The theme was "Managing Global Business in the Internet Age."

The conference attracted more than 400 academicians, corporate executives and government officials, and 125 papers were presented. Montclair State was represented by 10 M.B.A. students and faculty members Alan Oppenheim, Eileen Kaplan, C. Jayachandran, Phillip LeBel, Richard Peterson, James Yang, Sang-hoon Kim, Mark Kay, Ramesh Narasimham, Seddik Meziani, John Wang and Chung-Kue Hsu. In addition, LeBel, Yang and Narasimham were invited by the Beijing City government to deliver a six-hour lecture to a group of 170 high-ranking government officials from their Department of Finance, and Department of Labor and Social Insurance.

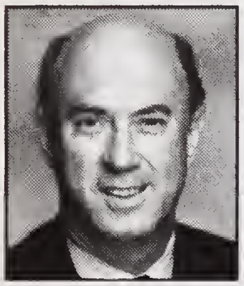
Admissions schedules open houses

If you know college-bound students interested in attending MSU, be sure to let them know about upcoming open houses. An undergraduate open house will be held Sunday, Dec. 3, at 1 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

A Graduate School open house will be held Sunday, Feb. 4, from 1:30-3:30 p.m. in the Student Center.

Open house for the M.B.A. Program will be held Thursday, Nov. 30, at 6 p.m. in Partridge Hall, Room 114.

Board welcomes new members



Scott Williams

Douglas Kennedy

The MSU Board of Trustees recently welcomed two new members, Scott Williams and Douglas Kennedy.

Williams, director of Supply Chain Management for Public Service Electric and Gas Company, has been a leading practitioner of supply chain management, which seeks to identify cost reductions, cost avoidances and negotiated savings through procurement activities and process improvement gains.

Kennedy, a prominent banker with a distinguished 25-year record in banking and finance, joined Summit Bancorp, headquartered in Summit, as senior executive vice president and deputy manager of Corporate Banking. Based in Princeton, Kennedy is responsible for both the Commercial Services and Capital Markets divisions.

ALUMNI NEWS

Nominations sought for the Alumni Citation Award

Each year the Montclair State University Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates with the Alumni Citation Award. The Alumni Citation will be presented at the Alumni Weekend Luncheon on May 5. To be considered for this award, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions to the community, University and/or related agencies or the candidate's profession.

Anyone may nominate an outstanding individual to the MSU Alumni Association Alumni Citation Committee. Please send the name, address, telephone number and year of graduation of the person you wish to nominate to the Office of Alumni Relations by Jan. 2. Nominees will be contacted for a vitae and letters of recommendation.

Alumni Weekend 2001

Preparations are underway for Alumni Weekend 2001, which will take place on Saturday, May 5. The luncheon will honor classes ending in 1 and 6. If you are a graduate of one of the honored classes and are interested in being a class chair or volunteer, call the Office of Alumni Relations. Chairs will be provided with class lists so they can begin contacting classmates. It's never too early to start.

Also, we are seeking input from alumni about *Alumni Life*. If you are interested in participating in a focus group, scheduled to take place during Alumni Weekend, call Alumni Relations or e-mail your name, year and phone number to Diana St. Lifer at stliferd@mail.montclair.edu.

Alumni cheer on Jackals

Seventy alumni and guests attended the third annual Alumni Association outing to watch the New Jersey Jackals play at Yogi Berra Stadium on Aug. 18. Always a fun night for kids of all ages, this yearly tradition will continue next summer.

Montclair in Madrid...*Dr. Nancy Tumposky of the Curriculum and Teaching Department (left), Dr. John Hwang of the Spanish and Italian Department and alumna Jeanne Martin '71 enjoy a moment at Teatro de Barzeuyla in Madrid during the Global Education Center's Montclair in Madrid program this summer.*

Spanning the University

Members of the Student Alumni Council were enthusiastic participants at Alumni Weekend: Margot Horney, group adviser, Kelly Dolan '01, Elaine Fierro '01, Sarah Dubatowka '02, Jenny Hellman '01 and Tommy Parry '00 (seated).

Welcome wagon...*Move-in day was made easier for Sandy Starr (left) and her sons, Jeff, a freshman, and Jonathan, thanks to Margaret Hait, president of the Alumni Association, and Janet Mullin of Alumni Relations, who supplied some much-needed refreshments.*

Student Alumni Council grows

The Student Alumni Council, a group of outstanding future alumni, provided invaluable help during Alumni Weekend, escorting alumni through campus and helping make sure everyone had a great time. Students interested in getting involved with the Student Alumni Council can call the Alumni Office. As the saying goes: "MSU student 4 years, MSU Alumni 4-ever!"

Good luck to Brett Birkoff '00. And congratulations to Student Alumni alumnus Tommy Parry '00 who has been accepted to the University of Medicine and Dentistry—New Jersey.

Applications sought for Legacy Scholarship

The Montclair State University Alumni Association offers one full-year's tuition to an incoming freshman who is a child or grandchild of an active alumna/alumnus. This scholarship is awarded on the basis of financial need as determined by the Financial Aid Office, and on academic achievement as determined by the Office of Admissions. Interested students who will be incoming freshmen in the fall of 2001 must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating MSU as one of the recipients. Applicants also must notify the Office of Alumni Relations in writing by Feb. 15 of their interest in the scholarship. Write to: Legacy Scholarship, Office of Alumni Relations, Montclair State University, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043.

Take a trip to Shea Stadium

Although the New York Mets lost to the Atlanta Braves on July 2, the defeat did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of alumni who joined the Association on the bus trip to Shea Stadium. Plans are in the works for another bus trip next season to Shea Stadium or Yankee Stadium, or possibly both. Details will follow in the next issue of *Alumni Life*.

Five former athletes inducted into MSU Hall of Fame

Five former athletes were inducted into the Montclair State University Athletics Hall of Fame during a ceremony held on campus Nov. 11: Donna Brooks '90 and Andrea (Steensen) Peters '89, softball; Robert Chesney '89, soccer; Harry Durkee '53, baseball; and Amod Field '90, football, basketball, and track and field.

New alumni directory set for 2001

In an effort to keep alumni connected, a new alumni directory will be published next fall. This will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of more than 80,000 MSU graduates ever compiled. This comprehensive volume will include current name and name when a student attended (if different) as well as class year(s) and degree(s) earned from Montclair State. Each biographical listing can include home address, phone number, the names of spouse and children, and detailed professional information.

The 2001 directory will list alumni alphabetically with the information outlined above, by class year, generic location and occupation in our special career networking section.The Alumni Office has chosen the Bernard C. Harris Publishing Company to produce this special edition.

Harris will begin researching and compiling the data to be included in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to all alumni. Questionnaires must be completed and returned in order for the information to be updated in the directory.

With your participation, the 2001 edition of the Montclair State University Alumni Directory is sure to be a great success. Look for more details on the project in future issues of *Alumni Life.*

Support the Annual Fund

Each year, thousands of alumni, parents and friends support Montclair State University with a contribution to the Annual Fund. Annual Fund dollars have a direct and positive impact on the University and its students by providing vital funds for scholarships, faculty development and innovative programs that sustain the tradition of excellence that has been the hallmark of Montclair State for more than 90 years.

This year, the Alumni Annual Fund reached record levels by raising $360,000 from nearly 6,000 alumni, a significant increase over last year's total.

Parents, faculty, staff and friends of Montclair State also gave generously to the Foundation Annual Fund. This effort raised more than $70,000 in unrestricted gifts. Of that amount, 1,124 parents contributed more than $32,000.

The University is grateful to all those who supported this year's Annual Fund. You can still make contributions in support of Montclair State University. Alumni can make checks payable to the MSU Alumni Association, Annual Fund, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043. Parents can send donations to the MSU Foundation, Annual Fund, One Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043.

Clarification

In the summer issue of *Alumni Life*, we noted that Bob Downing, who attended MSU in 1946 and 1947, correctly identified the most people in the picture of the 1947 track team that appeared in the fall issue. We inadvertently excluded noting that James Walsh '49, who was a member of the track team and part of the photograph, not only identified his fellow athletes, he also supplied most of their first names. Nice going, James!

Classmate remembered through generous gift...*Science majors from the class of 1958 recently returned to campus to dedicate an incubator donated in memory of classmate George Cameron. Pictured, from left, are Reuben Johnson, Harold Fields, Angelique Lampros, James Vasselli, retired professor Marie Kuhnen '41, Carol Vasselli, retired professor Irv Gawley '49, '51 M.A., Corine Radice, Richard Radice, Ralph Miano, Lorraine Jones, Patt Cameron, Donald Jones, Marlene Jaorsky Zschack and Robert Zschack. Contributors to the memorial gift fund not pictured are classmates Dennis Mamchur, George Alicknavitch and Vincent Deland.*

Calendar of Events

Many exciting programs have been planned for the upcoming academic year. For more information on the following events, call the Alumni Office at 973-655-4145. For an up-to-date listing of events check out the MSU Web site at www.montclair.edu and follow the links to the alumni page.

Nov. 20:	**Phoenix, Ariz. Regional Alumni Reception**
Dec. 4:	**Philadelphia, Pa. Regional Alumni Reception**
Dec. 7:	**Event honoring Hispanic alumni**
Feb. 7:	**Online event (moderated chat)—Tax Time**
Feb. 22:	**Young alumni event**
March 21:	**New York City Regional alumni reception**
April 2:	**MSUAA Scholarship Reception**
May 5:	**Alumni Weekend**
June 10:	**Young alumni Summer Splash reunion, Bar A, Belmar**
June 14:	**Flag Day event honoring veterans**

Dates not yet set for the following events:

- **Employers' Orientation for new Alumni Job Program**
- **Escorted trip to Ellis Island**
- **Computer class for mature alumni**
- **Prudential Chapter Event**
- **Boat trip around New York**
- **Online event (moderated chat)—Athletic coaches**
- **Trip to Mets and/or Yankees game**
- **New Jersey Jackals at Yogi Berra Stadium**
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- **Biology alumni event**

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Gladys Kathryn Lipfert Hahn Patten celebrated her 93rd birthday on July 17. Congratulations!

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Nel Rieth Noddings, Lee Jacks Professor Emeritus, Stanford University, received a Lifetime Achievement Award from Div. B (Curriculum Studies) of the American Education Research Association (AERA) at its annual meeting.

Edward W. Bradley

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Edward W. Bradley received a Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service from Gov. James Hunt of North Carolina. He also received New Jersey's highest volunteer award from Gov. Christine Whitman for his efforts to secure unused tickets from sporting and entertainment events for the benefit of volunteer and nonprofit organizations. In addition, he was honored by President Clinton for his volunteer service to the nation and was one of the recipients of the highest honor in volunteerism, the National Point of Light.

Edward J. Napiwocki, music director and conductor of the Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra for 35 years before his recent retirement, was honored by the orchestra at a farewell concert in May. He received a citation from the New Jersey State Assembly for his service to music and community and was inducted into the Bloomfield Music Federation Hall of Fame.

51

Ludwig C. Metzger was presented the Outstanding Citizen Award by Wood-Ridge Memorial Post 3616, Veterans of Foreign Wars and their Ladies' Auxiliary. It was "an expression of sincere appreciation and full praise for service rendered to the community for many years."

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Dr. Richard E. Onorevole '56 M.A. served as chairman of the Korean War Monument Committee, Taejon Chapter, commemorating the "50th Anniversary of the Korean War. " The monument, located at Fair Lawn Parkway, Saddle Brook, was dedicated with military honors. This monument and memorial journal was "dedicated to those that answered our nation's call pursuing freedom in the Korean War." Included in the journal is a memorial page to former Montclair State student Alexander "Sandy" MacMillan, Corporal, U.S. Marine Corps, killed in action in Korea, March 22, 1951.

Chester R. Richmond is interested in hearing from all 1952 science majors. "If there is enough interest, we plan to meet during the MSU 2002 reunion," he said. "There should be much to discuss after half a century! I have contacted several '52 science majors. Apparently our MSTC learning experience provided a strong foundation for some interesting career paths." Those interested can e-mail Chester at crrichmond@ispchannel.com.

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Marie Marra McGuire was named Essex County Counselor of the Year by the New Jersey School Counselors Association. She was also honored by the Cedar Grove Board of Education and the Town Council. She has been in the Cedar Grove School District for 43 years.

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Jay Demarest was honored by the Shore Track & Field Officials Association of the New Jersey Interscholastic Athletic with the Henry J. Nonnenberg Lifetime Achievement Award. Demarest is the athletic director at Holmdel High School. He serves as meet director for three local meets and is the site/meet director for the Central Jersey Sectional Group II & IV meet.

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Dr. Jeannette Allen Williams was honored by the Barlow School of Plainfield when they named the Library and Media Center in her honor. She was the first black high school principal in the Newark and Plainfield school systems, as well as the first female high school principal in Newark and Plainfield.

Barbara Zaccardi Strobert retired as superintendent of the Essex Fells K-6 school district and as the principal of the Essex Fells School.

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Joseph M. Gallo M.A. has been appointed vice president and auditor at Lakeland Bancorp in Oak Ridge. Lakeland Bancorp is the holding company of Lakeland Bank and the National Bank of Sussex County in Oak Ridge.

61

Ted Schloesser was named Asbury Park Press Boys Track Coach of the Year for the 2000 season. He has been head coach at Monmouth Regional High School for 16 years. This past season, Monmouth had its first unbeaten record since 1991.

64

James Buchanan '79 M.A. led a 12-day musical tour of Europe for seven members of the Youth Orchestra of Essex County based in South Orange. He has served as conductor and music director of the orchestra since 1983.

65

Roslyn Zuccarelli Gerken '71 M.A. was named to the Humanities Teacher Leadership Program by the National Endowment for the Humanities. The NEH grant is for her to promote humanities across the curriculum to other educators. She teaches part time at Raritan Valley Community College.

68

Seymour "Sy" Shames had an exhibit of his works at the Johnson Gallery of the Somerset Art Association in Bedminster. The exhibit, "Earth Prints–Clay Reliefs Transformed into Works on Paper," represents the evolution of his commitment to clay and slab, a process that began in 1965. Using a technique that he has developed, he creates works that have an embossed quality and a dimensional effect. Shames' works are in the permanent collections of the Newark Museum, Caldwell College and the New Jersey State Museum.

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Patricia Tesman

Patricia Tesman has been promoted to senior vice president of Gianettino & Meredith, an advertising agency in Short Hills. She has 20 years' experience with the agency and is also a member of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Advertising Club. She was previously vice president/director of public relations and an account supervisor at the firm.

69

Ken Frank '78 M.A. had the baseball field at Toms River High School named in his honor. The Ken Frank Baseball Stadium was named in recognition of his 23-year tenure as coach of the Toms River South Indians, which captured 37 championships. He has a career record of 510 wins and 153 losses.

Tom Heath, track and cross-country coach at Christian Brothers Academy, was inducted into the New Jersey State Scholastic Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Among other accomplishments, his cross-country teams have won 18 straight Shore Conference titles and 25 Monmouth County Championships.

Edward J. Obuchowski was appointed senior vice president, external technology, and chief information officer of Alliant Exchange, Inc.

70

Harold Kessler '80 M.A. was honored by the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials with two awards. He received the Distinguished Service Award for his 18 years as board secretary and school business administrator for the Summit Board of Education. He also was named School Business Administrator of the Year "for leadership, service to the profession and excellent current projects."

Thomas Reynolds M.A. was one of two teachers named by the Optimist Club of Westfield as "Outstanding Intermediate School Teacher for 2000." He teaches industrial arts and technology at Roosevelt Intermediate School and has been in Westfield since 1965. The Optimist Club established the award in 1998 to recognize the importance of teaching on the intermediate school level, which covers grades 6-8.

71

William J. Oliver M.A., '82 M.A., a chemistry teacher at Fair Lawn High School, presented "Jazzing Up High School Chemistry" at the National Science Teachers Association Convention in Orlando, Fla.

Giacomo M. Oliva '75 M.A., professor of music and director of the School of Music at the University of Florida, is president-elect of the International Society for Music Education. He will serve for two years before officially taking his post as president in July 2002.

Joanne Johnson Ward directed the Delaware Children's Chorus for a performance at the "Music and the Arts" concert series at St. John's Episcopal Church in Salem. She founded the six-member group in 1992 and is a music specialist in the Pennsville Public School District. She has been a member of the Wilmington Music School faculty since 1991, and maintains the children's choir, high school vocal ensemble and women's choir.

72

Vincent Borelli has been named Long Branch High School Teacher of the Year. This is his 29th year as a speech and theater teacher.

Donna Lee Goldberg is the publicity and media specialist in the marketing and public information office of Middlesex County College. She is also a member of the adjunct faculty in the Middlesex English Department.

Douglas C. Hamilton has been named Controller of MBIA Inc. He joins MBIA after working for Xerox Financial Services, Inc.

73

Irene Dec '80 M.A. was featured in *Computer World* magazine as one of its Premier 100 Information Technology Leaders. She is vice president of international investments at Prudential and was responsible for the Y2K compliance of Prudential's computer systems.

Father Donald Hummel M.A., parochial vicar of St. Helen's Parish, Westfield, has been appointed Pastor of St. Bartholomew Parish, Scotch Plains. Last year he was named Ecclesiastical Knight of the Sacred Military Constantinian Order of St. George, one of the oldest Catholic orders of knighthood. He also received the Distinguished Eagle Scout Award, which is presented annually to 10 Eagle Scouts nationwide.

Olympia Spinuzza Lortz was selected by the Borough of Wanaque as one of two Governor's Teachers.

Anita Roberts M.A. was honored by the New Jersey Tenants Organization for her longtime tenant advocacy work. She was recognized for her work in a resolution jointly sponsored by the mayor of East Orange and the city council.

Sharon Toriello M.A. is the new principal of Kinnelon High School.

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Louise Hall was named vice president of administration at Hilltop Community Bank in Summit. She will also be Hilltop's community relations act officer.

Marcella LoCastro Cerasia

Marcella LoCastro Cerasia was honored by the New Jersey Small Business Administration with the 2000 New Jersey Accountant Advocate of the Year Award in recognition of the special attention she pays to the unique requirements of a wide range of businesses.

Carolyn Negra Kohler, a Roxbury High School teacher, was initiated as a member of the Beta Phi Chapter of Delta Pi Epsilon, the National Honorary Professional Graduate Society in Business Education at Montclair State University.

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Michele Dupey has joined Englewood Hospital and Medical Center as a media specialist. Her duties include all facets of public relations including writing and media placement. Previously, she worked for many years doing public relations for Hudson County.

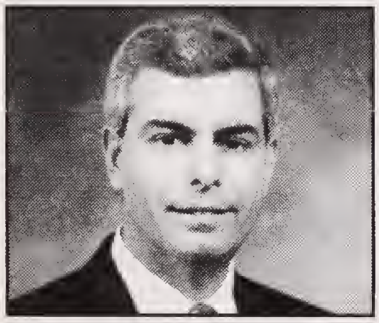
Michael C. Gabriele wrote "When Elms Vanish," a one-act play premiered by the Nutley Little Theater.

Robert T. Holloway has been appointed vice president, worldwide human resources for Checkpoint Systems, Inc., a leading provider of supply chain management and security solutions, and an innovator in radio frequency identification technology.

Betty List '77 M.A. and the Betty List Trio were featured at Diva Night at the Watchung Arts Center. The Trio features List on piano, Dan Bacher on vocals and tenor sax, and **Chuck Sastre '79** on bass.

76

Debra C. Eckert-Casha '80 M.A., named Citizen of the Year last year in Montville Township, was featured in the first installment of "People on the Move," a new column in the *Italian Tribune*. She is a partner in the law firm of Casha, Casha & Schepis, located in Montville.



Daniel Infanit

Daniel Infanit has been named chief marketing officer of the internet services firm ActBig, Inc. (www.actbig.com) in New York City. He had spent the past 19 years at Sharp Electronics Corporation.

Darrell A. Jackson has been hired by the Freehold School Board as principal of one of the borough's public schools. It is anticipated that he will be named the principal of the Intermediate School, which houses students in grades 6-8.

77

William Hart has published his first book, *East Orange (in Vintage Postcards)*, by Arcadia Publishing. There are more than 200 photos in the book, most of them pre-WWI.

Joseph Toohey M.A. has been named principal of Becton Regional High School in East Rutherford. He is a former mathematics teacher and vice principal with 30 years' experience in education.

78

Kathy Mulder Tigue has joined the Diabetes Center staff at Pascack Valley Hospital in Westwood as nutritionist. She is a registered dietitian and certified diabetes educator. She was formerly chief dietitian at the hospital.

79

Carol Cummings has been appointed vice president for human resources for Lear Electronics and Electrical Division (LEED), a division of Lear Corporation. Prior to her appointment, she was director of human resources for Lear's Daimler Chrysler Division.

Melissa Macaulay Federico M.A. has been appointed vice president of corporate marketing for C-bridge, the leading provider of C-Commerce solutions.

Mary Ellen Spencer has been named vice president of marketing for Hood Brand located in Chelsea, Mass.

80

Michael Jansen has joined the Pittsburgh law firm Cohen & Grigsby, where he will be responsible for the labor and employment group concentrating on management labor, employment law, employment discrimination, contract bargaining, grievances and arbitration.

Barbara Finegan Wilson has been appointed chief operating officer of Cape Counseling Services, Inc. in Atlantic City.

81

Janice-Lynn Nazziola Shuhan '99 M.A., a Belleville High School math teacher, was named Essex County Teacher of the Year. She has taught at Belleville High for nearly 20 years and has maintained perfect attendance.

83

Louis Carozza, organist and choir director at Christ Episcopal Church of Bloomfield and Glen Ridge, directed a recent celebration of Choir Sunday.

Dennis Daniels has been appointed director of the Count Basie Learning Center in Red Bank, dedicated to helping students excel in school and life.

Audrey Rosenberg Kaplinsky, co-chairperson of the Livingston Advisory Committee on the Handicapped, developed the concept for the local Livingston cable TV 34 program, "Parking for the Handicapped: the Law and Your Responsibility." She was a contributing writer and appeared in the educational program. It also was broadcast as part of a cable exchange program with other states.

Richard Marranca, who teaches English at Berkeley College, has had two works recently published—a novella in *Light of Consciousness Magazine* (spring/summer 2000) and an interview with E. L. Doctorow in the collection *Conversations with E. L. Doctorow*.

Christopher J. Ryan has been named vice president of finance at Worlds.com, a leading three-dimensional entertainment portal, where he is responsible for all aspects of financial planning and controls, as well as capital management and interaction with the investment community.

Chris Ann Waters had her most recent book, *Seasons of Goodbye*, published by Sorin Books. The book, for anyone who has experienced loss, guides people through the cycle of grieving to letting go using the seasons of the year as a guide.

84

Teresa "Terry" Bojcik Kearney has been appointed director of finance for Burgdorff ERA's New Jersey-based operations.

85

Mark McCormick was named the head professional at Suburban Country Club in Union. Having fine-tuned his game on Monmouth County park system courses, the left-handed McCormick is consistently in the top 10 of the New Jersey Professional Golf Association's point standings.

George Notte has joined YourHomeDirect.com (YHD.com) as a home consultant. As both a real estate agent and registered loan officer, he works with sellers and buyers throughout the entire process.

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Gerald J. Davis M.A. earned a gold medal at the International Invention Competition at INPEX, America's largest invention show, in recognition of his U.S. patented scuba gear two-man cart.

Dr. Thomas "Bear" Gioglio has become director of athletics at Dakota State University.

Doug Garofalo, a lifelong parishioner of St. Peter's Parish, River Edge, says he has "moved from the back of the church up to the front" to become more active in his parish's ministries as a lector and finance council member.

87

Christopher Cofone '94 M.A. was featured on USATODAY.com's Career Center, for which he answered questions about being a history major and working in the private sector. He is a national certified career counselor and a certified professional resume writer.

88

Robert J. Wahl was promoted to vice president of data management for IMS Health of Totowa and Plymouth Meeting, Pa. where he has been employed for 13 years. IMS is the leading provider of market research information for the health care marketplace.

89

James Fasano, baseball coach at Bergenfield High School, was named a Coach of the Year by the Bergen County Coaches Association.

James Shoop M.A., a Passaic public school district business official, received a meritorious service award from the New Jersey Association of School Business Officials.

91

Jacqueline Catanzaro has joined Fire House, a Plainsboro marketing firm, as an account executive and will be servicing the Bristol-Myers Squibb account.

Susan Greenwood, a physical therapist, has joined Private Lessons, a fitness and personal training facility in Nutley.

92

William Cogan was promoted to director of interactive marketing at ERA Franchise Systems in Parsippany, where he will oversee all technology-based marketing initiatives, including the continued development of the ERA consumer, corporate and international collection Web sites as well as various ERA interactive products.

Kevin J. O'Connor has become an associate with the Morristown law firm Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti LLP. He practices in the firm's litigation group, concentrating on commercial, antitrust and product liability matters.

92

Joseph Cahill, a soloist and choir member at the Presbyterian Church on the Green in Bloomfield, performed at the Belleville Public Library and Information Center.

93

Stewart Stumper M.A.T. has been appointed assistant principal of Glen Meadow Middle School in Vernon Township.

94

Kerri Allibone Verniero, crowned Mrs. Morris County 2000, will compete for the title of Mrs. New Jersey International 2000. She works as a paralegal at the law firm of Lowenstein Sandler, P.C. and is also chief officer of Kerri Kraft, a jelly and preserve company she owns and operates with her husband, Sam.

95

Patricia Firrincili M.A. is this year's recipient of the Donald B. Gregg Award in Addiction Studies given by Montclair State's Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership.

96

Carol Ann Benson had an exhibit, "Odyssey," a collection of acrylic paintings, on display at the Bergenfield Public Library. She is an art teacher at Lincoln School in Fairview.

97

Kathleen Wilkins joined the firm of Klatzkin & Company LLP, Certified Public Accountants, as staff accountant.

98

John J. Fierro M.A. has been named principal of Bogert School's grades 3-5 for the upcoming school year.

Amy Fost has joined Integrated Marketing Concepts in Whitehall as an account manager.

Tony Nogueira had his fiberglass cow, "Picowsso," included in the herd of colorfully decorated bovines on display in New York City, West Orange and Stamford, Conn., as part of the CowParade New York 2000. His cow will be exhibited at the Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation. He is a paraplegic who works from his wheelchair and used the fiberglass cow as the canvas for his brightly colored abstract images.

99

Patricia Gail owns and operates the Pat Gail Gallery, an art and frame shop located in Montclair.

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Donna Antoniello has joined Gianettino & Meredith Advertising in Short Hills as marketing coordinator. While a student at MSU, she participated in an internship at the agency.

Joseph Busciglio has joined the Xchange Group, the relationship-marketing arm of Commonwealth, as an account executive.

Katherine Provost, who graduated from MSU cum laude, has been accepted to Seton Hall School of Law.

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Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

News about Panzer graduates

I'm sure **Dr. Hazel Wacker '33** was hoping I would have a memory lapse, but no such luck. We wish her happiness and good health on the celebration of her 89th birthday in May. Many grads send their best wishes.

Howard Bornholm '43 sent a note with the terrific news that **Earl Bornholm '49** and his wife, Jane, have celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary. To make the event even more special, their daughter, Cathleen, and two grandchildren are visiting from Ireland. Earl was assistant superintendent of the New Brunswick school system before his retirement. Congratulations and may you celebrate many more.

Neil O'Donnell '55 and his wife, Gail, have done what many dream about. They sold their home and are now living aboard and cruising in a trawler they built in 1998. They are heading to the Bahamas for an extended stay. Doesn't sound like the O'Donnells are having any problem adjusting to retired life. Wishing you a safe journey.

Marilyn Maxcey Brown '56 and **Carol Maurer O'Conner '56** flew to Puyalup, Wash. for a visit with **Pudge Kinney Delaney '56.** With Pudge playing tour guide they had a marvelous time. Along the way they met up with **Ann Ward Jenkins '56** who lives in Tacoma, Wash. Knowing my classmates, they laughed all the way up and down those mountains.

Yours truly, **Lois Madden Kelly '56**, finally fulfilled a long-time wish list trip—I biked Ireland. The combination of unusually good Irish weather and a personal friend from Holland as one of the Euro-bike guides made the trip unique and memorable. We were 18 bikers and two guides who rode, ached and laughed from the day we met until the day we parted.

Katherine Hench '68 can now be counted as one of our retirees. For 32 years she taught health and physical education at Triton Regional High School in South Jersey. During her career, she coached field hockey and basketball. Her plans for the future are to travel and work part time to keep busy. Best of luck, Katherine.

Amy Stewart '68, Maureen Graham '68 and **Linda Rodger Pallack '69** reunited at the national conference for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance held in Orlando, Fla. The three were college roommates and teach in the same school district. Combined they have a total of 95 years in teaching. They had great fun reminiscing about their days at college, but most important, the conference was a good one and they came back charged with renewed energy.

Stella Thayer Hageman '69 taught and coached gymnastics at Kean College for five years while her husband, **Rich '74**, taught elementary physical education in Toms River. For three summers they traveled to Utah while Stella pursued a doctorate at Utah University. In 1980 they moved to Salt Lake City. Stella was an adapted physical education specialist for the severely handicapped and seven years later went back to the classroom to teach health and science at the junior high level. Rich is now coordinator for the district's adapted physical education elementary program. Stella has been teaching for 31 years and Rich for 26. They also are part-time travel agents and run scuba diving trips to the Caribbean and South Pacific.

Terry Kulick '80 has been a practicing physical therapist for 17 years and is now attending Columbia University Teachers College in New York to complete a doctoral program in education. Not too long ago Terry traveled to an orphanage in Orel, Russia to adopt the light of her life, Nicholas. Studying and being a mom should keep Terry plenty busy.

Many graduates are asking me if I know about "you." Take a moment to tell me what is happening in your life—trips, retirement, hobbies, family, etc. Time marches on, and former classmates and friends would love to read about those of you who have lost contact or are no longer living in New Jersey. Send the information to: Panzer Notes, Lois Madden Kelly '56, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, N.J. 07004 or e-mail ldkpanzer@aol.com. Subject line: Panzer Notes.

In Memoriam

Jerome Rosamilia '28
John M. Nies '30
Abbie West '42

Engagements

Lisa Harris Singer '89 to **David S. Glass '00**

Michael J. Scala '92 to **Jamie-Lynn Spargo '01**

David Oates '93 to Anne Garrison

Michelle Motto '96 to Matthew Edward Torit

Marriages

Nancy Winters '95 and Craig Mackenzie on Sept. 18, 1999

Jennifer Turrisi '96 and David Valedofsky Jr. on May 25

Christine O'Leary '99 and Patrick O'Connor on May 20

Births

To **Douglas Rallo '75** and his wife, Christine, a son, John Douglas, born March 1.

To **Karen Schimpf Iannaccone '85** and her husband, Domenic, a son, John Carmine, born May 13. He joins a sister, Sarah.

To **Dr. Thomas "Bear" Gioglio '86** and his wife, Melissa, a daughter, Kinley Dakota. She is the couple's third child.

To **Lee Ann Uszczak Grabicki '89** and her husband, **Daniel Grabicki '90**, a son, Jack Francis, born March 13.

To **Chris Albertson '92** and his wife, Jessica, a daughter Julia Rose.

To **Terry Lane '94 M.E.D.** and her husband, Lewis, a daughter, Lesley Taylor, born Nov. 13, 1999. She joins a sister, Leaundra, 5.

To **Thomas Naiman '94** and his wife, Angela, a son, Nicholas Andrew.

In Memoriam

Genevieve Cunniffee Wilcox '22
Beatrice Nicklaus Block '23
Anna Larsen Christensen '27
Ruth Bell Damon '28
Elysia G. Philipp '32
Mary A. McManimen '42
Ellen Stein Hirschhorn '45
Ethel Mundy Fairfield '48
Milton M. Weinstein '48
Sydell Lampert Spialter '50
Marianne Rowell Schanzenbach '52
Vincent Bodino '59 '63 M.A.
Deborah Tauben Weiss '62
Dr. Julia Mays Haynes '65 '72 M.A.
Frances Castelluccio '72 '74 M.A.
Felice Dodson '75 M.A.
Theresa Marie Nicholson '88
Charles Martone '93

Alicia Savage, former director of the Second Careers Program, passed away July 9. A member of the University community from 1978 to 1993, Alicia was known for her work in developing the Second Careers program. Two scholarships were named in her honor—the Alicia Pareha Savage Scholarship for Adult Students and the Alicia P. Savage MSU ASL Adult Scholarship Fund.

Sport Shorts

Pair named Student Athletes of the Year

May 2000 graduates Ed Wheeler and Janice Brenner, both track athletes, have been named the 1999-2000 Division III Student Athletes of the Year by the Collegiate Athletic Administrators of New Jersey (CAANJ).

The award, presented for the first time this year, is given to athletes who have demonstrated excellence in the classroom and in their athletic endeavors while being actively involved in campus and civic activity. A male and female athlete are selected for each division. Both awards in the Division III category went to MSU students.

Don't miss out on Red Hawk sports this fall. Home games are noted in bold. Schedule is subject to change. For more information, call the Athletics Office at 973-655-5234.

Men's and Women's Swimming

Dec. 1-3: ECAC Goodwill Games Center. Call for time.
Dec. 6: Kutztown. Call for time.
Jan. 9: USMMA. 4 p.m.
Jan. 11: Rowan. 4 p.m.
Jan. 13: ESU (women). 1 p.m.
Jan. 17: Misericordia. 7 p.m.
Jan. 20: William Paterson. 2 p.m.
Jan. 27: Vassar and Stevens (women) 1 p.m.
Feb. 16-18: Metropolitan Conference Championships at Rutgers. Call for times.

Men's Basketball

Dec. 2: Rowan. 4 p.m.
Dec. 6: Kean. 8 p.m.
Dec. 9: Rutgers-Camden. 4 p.m.
Dec. 22: Savannah College. 7 p.m.
Dec. 28-29: Holiday tournament.
Jan. 10: Ramapo. 8 p.m.
Jan. 13: The College of N.J. 4 p.m.
Jan. 17: New Jersey City University. 8 p.m.
Jan. 20: Rowan. 4 p.m.
Jan. 24: William Paterson. 8 p.m.
Jan. 27: Richard Stockton. 4 p.m.
Jan. 31: Rutgers-Newark. 8 p.m.
Feb. 3: Rutgers-Camden. 4 p.m.
Feb. 7: Kean. 8 p.m.
Feb. 10: Ramapo. 4 p.m.
Feb. 14: New Jersey City University. 8 p.m.
Feb. 17: The College of N.J. 4 p.m.

Women's Basketball

Dec. 2: Rowan. 2 p.m.
Dec. 6: Kean. 6 p.m.
Dec. 9: Rutgers-Camden. 2 p.m.
Dec. 27-Jan. 2: Grand Canyon Classic at University of Arizona. Call for times.
Jan. 8: Staten Island. 7 p.m.
Jan. 10: Ramapo. 6 p.m.
Jan. 13: The College of N.J. 2 p.m.
Jan. 17: New Jersey City University. 6 p.m.
Jan. 20: Rowan. 2 p.m.
Jan. 24: William Paterson. 6 p.m.
Jan. 21: Rutgers-Newark. 6 p.m.
Jan. 27: Richard Stockton. 2 p.m.
Jan. 29: Manhattanville. 7 p.m.
Jan. 31: Rutgers-Newark. 6 p.m.
Feb. 3: Rutgers-Camden. 2 p.m.
Feb. 7: Kean. 6 p.m.
Feb. 10: Ramapo. 2 p.m.
Feb. 14: New Jersey City University. 6 p.m.
Feb. 17: The College of N.J. 2 p.m.

Wrestling

Dec. 2: Rochester Institute. 9 a.m.; York College, 10 a.m.
Dec. 5: USMMA. 7 p.m.
Dec. 29-31: Midlands National. Call for times.
Jan. 4: Wilkes University. 5 p.m.
Jan. 6: Hunter Invitational. 9 a.m.
Jan. 10: New York University, 4 p.m.; Hunter, 7 p.m.
Jan. 13: ESU, Howard, Coppin. Call for times.
Jan. 20-21: National Duals at Penn State. Call for times.
Jan. 24: The College of N.J. 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 27: New England Metro. Call for times.
Jan. 30: Delaware Valley. Time: TBA.
Feb. 3: N.Y./N.J. Duals at Oswego. 11 a.m.
Feb. 9: West New England Tri-coast Guard. 6 p.m.
Feb. 17: METS. Call for times.

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This photograph of the hollow bronze-hand set against the countryside outside of Wuxi, China was taken by junior Justin Velluci, who was part of a Montclair State University delegation that spent two weeks in China this fall to strengthen the University's ties, and develop new ones, with the world's most populous country. See story on page 7.

Doctoral program enriches teaching

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

All teachers like to think they motivate and inspire their students to learn whenever they are in front of the classroom. They never get stale or run out of creative ideas. Patricia Knutowicz knows better.

"After 26 years of teaching, I was on automatic pilot," said Knutowicz, a math teacher and department chair in the Wayne School District. "I would go into the classroom and just do my thing because I'd done it so many times before."

Knutowicz is not alone. Deborah Ives '91 M.A.T. also loves to teach and believes professional development is necessary to keep herself, and in turn her students, motivated. After being in social work for a few years and then staying home to raise her children, Ives earned a teaching certificate and a master's degree in teaching from Montclair State. She continually searched for ways to grow professionally, but found opportunities to be limited.

"I never wanted to get a doctoral degree because I never wanted to leave the classroom," she said. "I have no interest in going into administration. I love being a teacher. I want to make a difference in the classroom."

For Ives and Knutowicz, Montclair State University's doctoral program in pedagogy is nothing short of an answered prayer. Unlike traditional doctoral programs in education that prepare teachers for roles as principals, superintendents or college faculty, the Ed.D. in pedagogy is designed to keep teachers who are committed to the profession in the classroom. The program is the only one of its kind in the state and one of a handful nationwide focused on pedagogy.

Last summer Ives and Knutowicz joined 13 other teachers as the first to be accepted into the new program. "It's really great," said Ives, who has been a middle school teacher in Kinnelon for the past 12 years. "It's the avenue I've been looking for."

Cynthia Onore, director of the Center of Pedagogy, which administers the program, believes there are countless teachers who share these sentiments. "Career paths for teachers have been limited," she

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Comment

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
Alumni Association President

One of the highlights of this year's Homecoming was the rededication of the Life Hall plaque honoring veterans from World War II and the Korean War. (See story on page 11.)

When former MSUAA President Jim McGilvray '41 informed us that the plaque had fallen into disrepair, the MSU Alumni Association Board agreed to fund a refurbishing project and have the plaque rededicated at a ceremony during Homecoming. Many friends and classmates of veterans who had given their lives for our great nation remembered them with poignant and touching memories.

My most sincere thanks go to Jim and his entire committee, Dr. Joseph Kutner '32 '37 M.A., Rev. Dr. Audrey Vincentz Leef '43, Dr. Moe McGee '49, Dr. Syd Salt '51 '52 M.A. and Margot Horney, assistant to the alumni director, for their hours of research and work.

Because of Jim's deep commitment, I have asked him to share some of his thoughts about the project:

"The rededication ceremony for the new plaque, honoring students and alumni who had died in World War II and in Korea, evoked many rich memories in the minds of all present. While I had participated in the planning and had looked forward to this meaningful event, I regret that a family reunion in Oregon kept me from being there.

The original ceremony was held May 19, 1957 when Life Hall was dedicated, both as a memorial to our fellow classmates who had given their lives for our country and as a center for campus life. For those of us who had shared good times with those whose names were emblazoned on the plaque, it was comforting to feel they would somehow now have enduring life in this place.

Last year I was disturbed to learn from my friend, Jim Poet '41, that the plaque was showing the ravages of time, having lost its luster and become difficult to read. I also came to realize that most people had lost sight of "Life Hall." When these facts were presented to the Alumni Association Executive Board, it recognized the need to refurbish the plaque and readily approved the funds. A rededication ceremony was scheduled for Homecoming Day and the University approved the repositioning of the plaque to a more prominent position adjacent to the entrance of Memorial Auditorium. The information to be placed beside the plaque will explain the significance of the names for both buildings.

Because students and alumni had spearheaded the original campaign to build Life Hall, it was appropriate that they would now undertake the refurbishment project. As early as 1943, students originated the idea of a cultural center, not only as an appropriate war memorial, but also as the greatest unmet need in campus facilities. Since sufficient state funds would not be allocated, a War Memorial Board, chaired by Grace Freeman '19, was formed to raise private funds. As building plans were being developed for a state-funded auditorium and dining hall it was discovered that a student center could be added for the nominal sum of $380,000. A campaign organization headed by Bill Van Tuinen '41 was formed with this amount as its goal. Through great effort and the contributions of students, alumni, faculty and friends of Montclair State, the goal was achieved.

Dedicated in 1957, the building served for many years as a center of campus life and included recreation and lounge facilities, a bookstore, snack bar and alumni headquarters. Though now used for other purposes, Life Hall still stands as a memorial to those gallant alumni who served so well.

The next time you are on campus, visit Life Hall and seek out the glistening bronze plaque that bears the names of those we honor along with those responsible for the building's creation." ◆

President's Message

Dr. Susan A. Cole

"Our country is the world," abolitionist William Lloyd Garrison said in 1831.

While that global dream has yet to be fully achieved, it is becoming more of a reality, as I discovered as a member of the Montclair State University delegation of administrators, faculty and students that recently visited China (see story on page 7).

Our home in Upper Montclair and the campuses of Chinese universities may be thousands of miles apart, but we are bridging the distance with our growing institutional ties, our student and faculty exchanges, and our shared interests in providing the best possible education for the students we serve.

While Montclair State has had a global vision for years, we now need to focus on, and intensify, our educational partnerships in key areas of the world in order to direct our efforts and resources most effectively. China is one such area of focus, since it represents such an important part of the world—one-fifth of the earth's population—and because it is going to be an increasingly significant factor in the world of the future.

While in China, we signed formal linkage agreements with Shanghai Teachers University and Nanjing University. Nanjing is one of China's premier universities and we are very excited about that relationship centered on potential research collaborations and faculty exchanges. At Shanghai Teachers University, an institution with great potential for student exchanges, the focus is on teacher preparation, an important area for Montclair State.

We entered into a third linkage agreement soon after our trip, when representatives from East China Normal University paid a return visit to our campus to sign an agreement connecting the two universities. We already have strong relationships with two other universities we visited in China: Wuxi University of Light Industry and the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing.

We take these relationships seriously and try to integrate them into the University in multiple ways, expanding opportunities for different departments and colleges, faculty and students.

Our outreach to China and to other global partners is not a luxury, but an educational necessity. We are proud to be the headquarters for the New Jersey State College Consortium of International Studies, which sends students to study in more than 50 countries on five continents. Conversely, more than 600 international students from over 80 countries come to Montclair State each year.

There is no question in my mind that MSU will not be fulfilling its responsibility to the people of New Jersey if we educate students to be comfortable only in New Jersey. ◆

Alumni Profile

BY ANNE McDARBY

Marion Bolden
'68 B.A. '82 M.A.

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Marion Bolden sports a new jacket that displays unity in the Newark School System.

With a new performing arts center and baseball stadium among its most visible improvements, Newark, N.J. is slowly shaking its image as a city in decline. One of the city's most vocal supporters is Marion A. Bolden, who was appointed district superintendent of the Newark public schools in July.

Born, raised and educated in Newark, Bolden has spent her entire professional career in the Newark school district and is enthusiastic about the challenge of overseeing the city's 82 schools and 44,000 students. "I like what I do. Knowing what's possible sustains me," she said.

From her previous position as associate superintendent of Teaching and Learning, Bolden stepped into her current role at a time when the district was still rebuilding from a state takeover in 1995. Prior to the takeover, Newark's public school system was rife with allegations of corruption and scandal. From Bolden's perspective, the change was inevitable. "I've always said this is what needs to be done, and if you don't do something about it, don't sit by the sidelines and complain," she said.

When she was asked by state officials to consider the superintendent's position, Bolden was apprehensive. Budget woes, a recent high turnover in principals, lack of unity among the city's schools and a disenfranchised community were but a few of the hurdles she faced. What changed her mind? Endless possibilities.

"When I took this job I knew the scope of my responsibilities would be awesome, but I also recognized the potential for positive change," she said. "I've never felt any differently about Newark."

Still, it wasn't easy. "When I became superintendent I saw things I was not happy with. The geographic school zones (four for the elementary schools and one for the secondary schools) were operated almost in isolation," she explained. "We are one city and one school district. Our philosophy should be that we are all on the same page and ideas can be shared." Bolden also found secondary schools that had been overlooked. "There was no focus on the teachers, principals or students in the high schools," she said. That became clear when Bolden started attending football games last fall. At one city high school she saw no functional band and cheerleaders without uniforms. "I think the other team felt sorry for us. I was embarrassed. This is my home, and these are my kids."

Believing "you have to feed the intellect and the spirit," Bolden purchased new uniforms for the cheerleading squad, and is in the process of buying all the schools' bands new uniforms.

It is the start of what Bolden believes can become a new feeling of city pride and school spirit. When she cannot rely on traditional avenues of support, she taps into other resources. "I never knew 'it takes a village' more than when I became superintendent," she said. "I look for support from within the district and from outside organizations as well."

When she felt the frustration of high school teachers who were held back by budget restrictions, Bolden offered to fund after-school programs of their choice—any program that would enrich a child's life. When budget cuts did away with music and art programs, she immediately set out to get financial backing from outside the district. "By offering these programs we say to kids that they are important. I think the kids are beginning to understand that we care for them."

A resident of Orange, Bolden is divorced and the mother of two grown children. Her personal experience as a student in the Newark school system, and her background as a teacher and administrator there, have given her an insider's perspective of the problems and potential within the district. She also displays an intense commitment to provide the children of Newark with the education she feels they deserve. When she was a student at Newark's Southside High School (now known as Malcolm X Shabazz High School), Bolden said, her aptitude was in math and science. Her initial goal was to become an architect, but that was not considered "fashionable" for a young lady. Teaching was an expected road for her totake.

She was accepted by Montclair State on a state scholarship, where she was one of about 50 black students among the school's 2,000 enrolled, and the only black student majoring in mathematics education. She described her introduction to college as a bit rough in the beginning. "I recognized as a freshman that I wasn't as prepared as other kids. I struggled at first, especially with the writing," she recalled. "When you go to an urban school, you are disadvantaged. You just don't know it. I never knew that I was fairly poor until I went to college."

She recalls that experience as she considers what the Newark district is doing to prepare today's youth. "We have to teach kids to write and speak well. Get a kid who writes well and you've done a good job of educating him," Bolden said. "That is this year's curriculum thrust, for all teachers. We are all responsible for helping our kids learn to write."

Bolden said she always knew she would return to Newark to teach. "I wanted to be placed at Southside, my alma mater, but I got Barringer High School. It ended up being the best place I could have gone. My entire teaching tenure was there." Bolden taught mathematics for 14 years and was then appointed chair of the Math and Science Department at Arts High School in Newark, a position she held from 1982 to 1989. She went on to serve as director of the Office of Mathematics for Newark Schools from 1989 to 1996, where she was responsible for training the district's math teachers, and initiated the Math Fair and Math Olympics that are still held each year.

While teaching mathematics at Barringer High School, Bolden returned to Montclair State, and earned a master's degree in teaching in 1982. She has since reconnected with the University on several initiatives, including the creation in 1989 of a professional development program

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For faculty, the giving never ends

BY BRYAN SHAFFER '98

The holidays may be over but the season for giving never ends. This is especially true on campus where faculty who give each day in the classroom have found another way to help students.

Scholarships have always been an important resource for students. Especially today, as more students need to work as they continue their education, a scholarship of any amount is a treasure worth pursuing.

More faculty are responding to this need by establishing scholarships in their own disciplines to help students. Faculty are creating scholarships on the occasion of their retirement, in honor of another faculty member, as a bequest in their wills or simply because they see a need. Such was the case for Moe McGee '49, a retired professor from the English Department who created and funded a scholarship that pays full tuition and fees for two semesters for an undergraduate English major. McGee said he created the fund after seeing the effort and dedication of a student who attended classes by day and worked full time at night.

When mathematics professor Robert Garfunkel retired last year, he used the cash gift given by friends and colleagues to establish a $1,000 scholarship for a freshman or sophomore aspiring to become a mathematician. "I did this because I have spent my entire working life at Montclair State and it's been quite an experience," said Garfunkel, who continues to teach as an adjunct and contributes the money he earns to the scholarship fund. "This is my way of giving back."

Cynthia Barnes, director of Development, said faculty-created scholarships are growing in popularity. "It used to be when people retired they would be given a gift from their friends and colleagues," she said. "In recent years, many professors have requested that instead of contributing toward a gift, donations be made to the MSU Foundation. Many retired professors have supplemented these funds with their own contributions to establish scholarships in their names."

Scholarships created by current and former faculty are available across the curriculum in areas such as physics, French, psychology, classics, economics, geography and fine arts, among others.

In some disciplines, where external scholarships are few and far between, faculty scholarships are even more appreciated.

"The scholarships are important in the humanities because it's difficult for us to get corporate sponsorship," said Dan Bronson, chair of the English Department. "For us, donations made by faculty are doubly appreciated." To express that appreciation, the English Department holds an annual awards ceremony where student recipients can meet the people who made the scholarships possible. "We do it not so much to honor the student who won the award as much to make a connection between the recipient and the donor," Bronson explained.

Benjamin Robertson, a graduate assistant in English, won the $1,000 Lawrence Conrad Memorial Scholarship, established in memory of the English professor, for best student writing on American literature. "It was nice to have the opportunity to personally thank the Conrad family for their contribution," said Robertson, who will use part of the money for application fees to doctoral programs.

Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, said the scholarships established by faculty are another example of how the dedication and commitment of Montclair State's professors extend beyond the classroom walls. "It is characteristic of the generosity of our faculty that they establish scholarships to ensure our students can devote themselves to their studies," he said. ◆

CREATIVE WAYS TO GIVE TO MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

✓Sound the right note with a gift to support a year's worth of tuning for the Music Department's concert grand piano. $1,500

✓Encourage the growth of culture with an incubator for the Biology Department's new genetics laboratory in Science Hall. $3,000

✓Keep technology on the move with a mobile teaching station, complete with a computer, high-intensity projector and cart, for the School of Business. $6,000

✓Step into the limelight with a new main drape for the stage of Memorial Auditorium. $3,500

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Gift opportunities are subject to change. Readers seeking more information about these or other gift opportunities can contact Cynthia L. Barnes, Office of Institutional Advancement, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043, phone 973-655-4344 or e-mail barnesc@mail.montclair.edu.

BOLDEN IS IN THE HEART OF NEWARK

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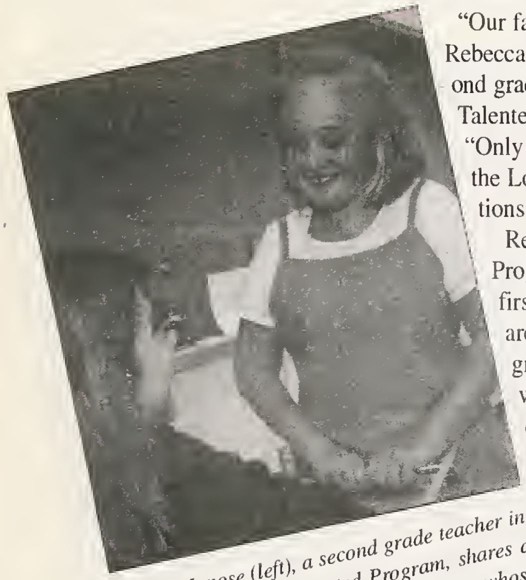
known as the Montclair State Algebra Initiative. "This is a partnership between Montclair State University and the Newark School System in which teachers get college credit for courses that prepare them to teach middle school mathematics," said Bolden, who conceived of the project when she wanted algebra taught but had no teachers who were prepared to do so. The two-year program is now attended by its fourth cohort of teachers, and it is so effective that it now includes teachers from other school districts as well.

As a former teacher, Bolden has great respect for the profession and strongly encourages young people to consider it as a career. She also places professional development for Newark's teachers high on her list of goals. "We need to regard this profession and encourage kids to enter it," she said. Believing that "good, caring teachers will make the difference," Bolden strongly supports programs like the Future Teachers of America and any initiative that will encourage and enable young people to enter the teaching profession. "Colleges also need to help, by offering stronger instruction programs for teachers," she said. "I am working closely with Jennifer Robinson [a professor in the Department of Curriculum and Teaching] at Montclair State on scholarships for students who attend the University and plan to return to teach in Newark schools," she said. "Quality teachers will help me to improve the curriculum in Newark."

Empowering teachers to find new ways to reach students is another priority for Bolden. One way she accomplished this was by establishing a new Science Center in Newark's South Ward. Reassigning science resource teachers from the district's central office to this new center, Bolden urged them to create an educational environment that would capture the imaginations of young children in Newark. The results were amazing. "Those teachers transformed the building, creating separate rooms with themes such as aviation, dinosaurs and the rain forest. The new center jumpstarted my science program for younger children," she said. "It shows what empowerment can do. With encouragement, support, guidance and space, people can do so much." ◆

A great-great-grandfather's legacy

BY BILL VALLADARES



Lauren Janose (left), a second grade teacher in MSU's Gifted and Talented Program, shares a moment with student Rebecca Presher, whose great-great-grandfather, Harry Sprague, was the second president of Montclair State.

For 19 years, Montclair State's Gifted and Talented Youth Programs have challenged the special needs of gifted children through weekend and summer enrichment courses. Among the crop of gifted students enrolled last spring was 8-year-old Rebecca Presher, who took a class called Publish Me! An appropriate choice since MSU's library is named after her great-great-grandfather, Harry A. Sprague, Montclair State's second president.

"Our family lost contact with the University until Rebecca came home with a brochure from her second grade teacher for Montclair State's Gifted and Talented Programs," said Rebecca's mother, Julie. "Only Rebecca and three others from her class at the Long Pond School in Andover received invitations to apply to the program."

Rebecca is enrolled in the Academic Gateways Program, which is designed for children in the first, second and third grades. Before children are accepted into Gateways they must be above grade level in reading or math and have a written recommendation from a teacher, principal or psychologist.

Courses like Physics Phun, Way Out Math and Lights! Camera! Action! are designed, according to Richard O. Taubald, director of the program, to help children discover that learning is fun.

Rebecca authored and illustrated a book in her Publish Me! class titled *The Haunted House*. "It's about a group of kids who go trick-or-treating to a haunted house," she said. "The door is blocked by firewood and there are spiders all over it. After the kids get in the house they find a girl who turns into a witch, a boy who turns into a ghost and another boy who turns into a vampire. They chase the kids away and the next day they tell all their friends what happened. When they go past the house the next day, the girl and the two boys are all turned back to normal. Their dream came true.

"I like to write, and when I grow up I want to be an actor or an artist," she revealed. "I liked going to the class and writing a little bit of my story each time."

Now a third-grader, Rebecca had so much fun in the spring that she came back in the fall and enrolled in two classes—Our Fascinating World and Lights! Camera! Action! "I like going to school on Saturday better than on the weekdays. It's more fun. It's not like 80 times 80."

Although Rebecca never met her great-great-grandfather, she proudly described a recent trip to the library that bears Sprague's name. "It makes me feel special when I walk in there," she said. "I never met him, but I heard people say he was special."

Harry Sprague died in 1974 when Rebecca's mother was 4. "I learned about him mostly through pictures and stories by his granddaughter, Linda Hunter, my mother; and his daughter, Elizabeth Love, my grandmother. He was an amazing man. He was very intelligent and did a lot for Montclair," Julie recalled. "When my grandmother and I visited Montclair we walked around campus and she told me about each hall, the people they were named after and about my great-grandfather."

Julie and her grandmother met Taubald at orientation. "I thought it was incredible to meet Harry Sprague's daughter and to see another relative a couple generations removed take advantage of the Gifted and Talented Programs," Taubald said.

According to Julie, the courses are alot more fun than she anticipated. "Rebecca has a blast and said her Publish Me! teacher was awesome," her mom said. "In addition to writing, the kids did projects out of candy, they had an ice cream party and the teacher brought them to watch the acting class perform. That's what sparked her interest in acting. I wish my great-grandfather were alive to see Rebecca taking classes at Montclair State. It's special that Rebecca can go to the library that was named after her great-great-grandfather." ◆

Rebecca Presher (center) stands in the lobby of Sprague Library, where a bust of her great-great-grandfather Harry Sprague sits, with (from left) Libby Sprague Love, Linda Love Hunter and her mom, Julie Presher.

Sprague's legacy lives on

Although to most students and recent alumni Sprague is only the name of Montclair State's library and the field where the Red Hawks play, Dr. Harry Sprague was a vital person in the development of Montclair State University. Sprague became principal of New Jersey State Normal School at Montclair in 1924. In 1927 the school became Montclair State Teachers College and Sprague became the first president, remaining in that post until 1951.

During his tenure, Sprague saw the immense growth of the student population, the campus facilities and the curriculum. In 1932, Montclair State was authorized to grant master's degrees and offered graduate courses for the first time. Five years later, Montclair was the first state teachers college to be accredited by the Middle States Association. Between 1947 and 1954, returning war veterans caused a building boom on the campus. Veterans and their families occupied war surplus buildings in an on-campus-village they called College Heights. The buildings are nicknamed "Robert Hall," "Alka Hall" and "Dat's Hall."

Sprague did not have to wait until his retirement to be honored with the naming of the football field. The field was dedicated in 1937 before a football game against Hofstra. On May 2, 1964 the library was dedicated in his honor. A bust of Sprague is located in the library lobby.

Sports columnist takes toughest assignment

BY FILIP BONDY *The New York Daily News* **sports columnist and visiting professor, journalism**

Many people envy sports columnist Filip Bondy. Many people would want his job, especially this fall when he covered the Yankees as they took home the World Series trophy. But as Bondy explains here, his stint as a visiting professor in Montclair State's journalism program proved being in front of the classroom can be more rewarding than covering a World Series.

> "I felt positively liberated by the sheer space of a classroom. Students volunteered their own ideas, without my badgering. I was able to discuss issues that had frustrated me at my other job."

I was in the press box at Turner Field in Atlanta, Ga., looking down on Chipper Jones and the Braves' batting practice, when I suddenly realized that I still had about eight student papers I needed to line edit from the news writing course I was teaching.

So I finished them off before the start of Game 2 of the World Series, perhaps giving these stories (which described a particularly gruesome murder) slightly more generous grades than they deserved. Then, I returned to my day job—writing sports columns for *The New York Daily News*.

If the position of visiting professor can be a rewarding experience, then sometimes it is a comically hectic affair. For me, October was the ultimate test of my juggling and time-management skills. I knew going into the autumn that my life might become a mess if the Yankees persisted in their annoying, winning ways. Already, I was committed to life as a suburban father and a book on basketball. Then Derek Jeter, et al, rolled over the competition again and officially pushed me to the limit. No matter how hard I rooted privately against the home team, for my own selfish reasons, the Yankees just kept winning and extending the season.

As I rushed between baseball games, in the Bronx and on the road, I planned and attended my classes on the fly. Hours on airplanes, mornings in hotels, were never wasted. Once, I graded papers while caught in a bumper-to-bumper traffic jam on the George Washington Bridge. In a way, I was incredibly fortunate, because the Yankees' postseason road games in Arlington, Boston and Atlanta all took place over the course of weekends. If I'd been assigned to the Mets, my schedule would have been a tangle of weekday conflicts.

Despite the good luck, I was more than a bit frazzled, in a vaguely pleasant way. Teaching is rewarding enough to justify such a personal tug-of-war, I discovered, as long as I can make the classes.

A lot of people want my job—the sportswriting gig, that is, not the teaching. I always try to explain to them that they are overestimating one vocation and underestimating the other. Sportswriting can be tremendous fun at its best, a chance to be both creative and adventurous. When you are attending an Olympics in some exotic site, meeting and talking with dedicated athletes who are still not burnt out by the interview process, the job is a great treat. At other times, however, it can become a chore.

Yes, I attended every Yankee postseason game. But for about half of them, I was stuck in a crowded, windowless basement under the stadium watching the event on television because there wasn't enough room in the press box. My colleagues at *The Daily News* were taking their turns. The only interviews I conducted on game nights were done during huge, impersonal press conferences, where follow-up questions were impossible. The quotes were made available to the public on an Internet site nearly as quickly as journalists were able to write them down.

Each day, I wrote an early column, which was due before the game and sent by laptop modem to my office. This article was replaced by a second column for the next edition, due by the ninth inning of each game. Finally, I wrote a third column for the final edition, due shortly after midnight, without adequate clubhouse access. This column replaced the second one, leaving readers of any given edition with the disturbing notion that I simply enjoyed a game, perhaps with my feet propped up on a press-box table, munched on a hot dog and wrote one story.

In truth, I was working hard and seeing virtually no live baseball. Hardly an enviable vocation at all. Only when the Yankees reached the World Series was I able to watch all the games live, half of them from the bleachers, where I would become one of the wild people, the Bleacher Creatures.

Meanwhile, whenever I sat down to teach in Dickson Hall, I interacted directly with 12 students without the intrusive existence of a microphone or moderator. I wasn't cramped, or overwhelmed by masses of spectators and journalists. I wasn't dealing with celebrity athletes, tired of speaking or even thinking. I wasn't sprayed with champagne. I felt positively liberated by the sheer space of a classroom. Students volunteered their own ideas, without my badgering. I was able to discuss issues that had frustrated me at my other job.

Sometimes, people ask me whether I think universities should hire more adjuncts from specialized fields, or whether they should stick with full-time faculty members who haven't been part of the outside work force for years.

After teaching a handful of courses at two different colleges, I have arrived at the opinion that visiting professors should be used sparingly, as the exception rather than the rule. Too many of us part-timers come into the classroom ignorant of campus resources, disconnected from the hectic lives of students and ignorant of the demands of our own course load. No matter how many times I do this, I am constantly surprised by the number of hours required to mark papers. I may be able to whip up a 750-word sports column in 45 minutes, but it often takes me just as long to line-edit a student's story that is half that length.

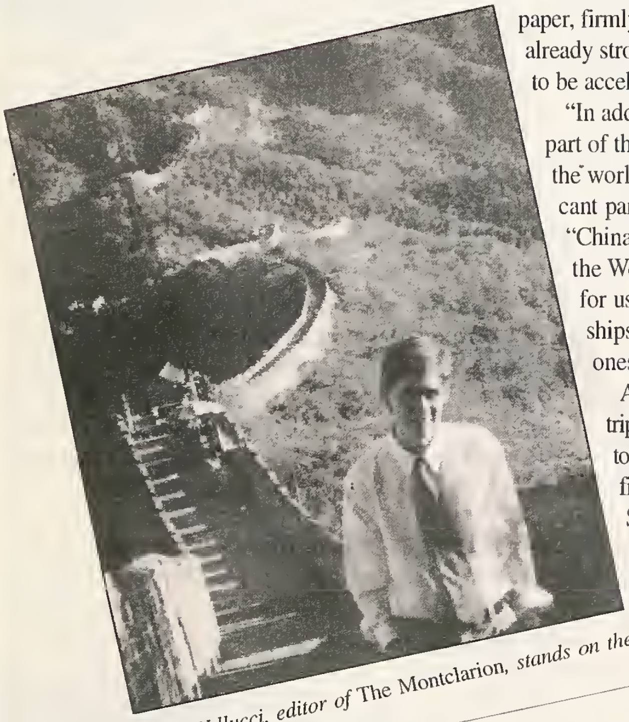
I would like to teach again. I want to teach just once, however, without worrying about a World Series or an Olympics at the same time. If you can guarantee me that El Duque will stop pitching shutout innings in October, I will be the world's happiest professor. ◆

To China and back

MSU delegation strengthens ties with Far East

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole returned from a recent two-week trip to China more convinced than ever that the world's most populous country "is a significant part of the future."

Dr. Cole, who was accompanied by MSU faculty, administrators and several students, including Justin Vellucci, editor-in-chief of *The Montclarion,* the student newspaper, firmly believes that Montclair State's already strong international presence needs to be accelerated in the Far East.



Justin Vellucci, editor of The Montclarion, stands on the Great Wall of China.

"In addition to China's being a large part of the world, representing one-fifth of the world's population, it is also a significant part of the future," Cole said. "China is a nation that is opening up to the West. This is an important moment for us to continue our existing relationships with China and forge new ones."

Accompanying the delegation on the trip were a reporter and camera operator from New Jersey Network who filmed the group's activities. Segments were broadcast on three news programs on PBS, and NJN will produce a half-hour documentary that aired in January.

During the delegation's visit, linkage agreements were signed with Nanjing University, one of China's premier research universities, and Shanghai Teachers University, which focuses primarily on teacher preparation.

Additionally, plans were confirmed for two major China conferences MSU will be co-sponsoring.

The fourth annual International Conference on Food Science and Technology, is co-sponsored by the University of California-Davis, Wuxi University of Light Industry and Fuzhou University. Scientific experts from all over the world, including the U.S. Food and Drug Administration, will attend the October conference.

MSU and the University of International Business and Economics in Beijing will sponsor a major conference, Information Revolution, E-Commerce and Global Business in the New Millennium, in June. "UIBE is an institution of exceptional quality," Cole noted. "At one of the prior conferences we sponsored with them, the Vice Premier of China was the keynote speaker."

The trip, which took place Oct. 11 through 24, included visits to seven Chinese universities, including Wuxi University of Light Industry in Wuxi, the University of Business and Economics in Beijing and the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The delegation also toured the Great Wall of China.

At the Mi Qui Modern Art Workshop, affiliated with Shanghai University, the group opened an exhibition of art works by Montclair State University faculty. The event was covered by Chinese television. In the spring, Shanghai University will sponsor an exhibition of Shanghai faculty art at Montclair State.

A meeting with the Shanghai Theatre Academy resulted in discussion of the significant opportunities for students and performance exchanges between MSU's School of the Arts and the Academy.

MSU entered into a third linkage agreement in November when representatives from East China Normal University came to campus for the formal signing. During the visit, the ECNU group also toured MSU's Center of Pedagogy and Science Hall, and visited with faculty from the departments of Linguistics, English, and Earth and Environmental Science.

"We take these relationships very seriously and we try to build them into the University in multiple ways so they're not just paper agreements," Cole said.

Cole noted that strong MSU-China connections already exist. "MSU currently has 44 students from China studying on our campus, a number that continues to grow because of our deepening relationships with Chinese universities," she said. "In addition, over the last five years we have developed several active research collaborations and implemented exchanges of Chinese and MSU faculty in many academic areas.

"We also have a number of excellent faculty at the University who were born and educated in China and who are highly knowledgeable and skilled in Chinese language and culture."

Cole said it is the University's mission to strive for a global focus for all members of the MSU community.

"There is no question in my mind that MSU will not be fulfilling its responsibility to the people of New Jersey if we educate students to be comfortable only in New Jersey. The world is getting smaller and smaller. Business is crossing boundaries far more rapidly and to a greater degree with each passing day. We need to educate students to feel comfortable in the world.

"Globalizing our campus, our educational programs and opportunities for faculty and students is critical if we are going to be educating students who really are citizens of the world." ◆

Shu-Sheng Jiang, president of Nanjing University, and MSU President Susan A. Cole sign a linkage agreement between the two universities.

What's Happening

Campus News

National magazine recognizes MSU for third consecutive year

For the third straight year, Montclair State University has been labeled an educational leader by a prominent national higher education magazine.

Montclair State has been selected as a "Publisher's Pick" by *The Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education*. In its Nov. 9 issue, publisher José Lopez-Isa said the magazine's 1999 Publisher's Picks include "those colleges and universities nationwide that in our view offer solid opportunities for Hispanic students. The institutions selected are learning what it takes to attract, enable, retain and motivate Hispanic students, so many of whom lack the legacy of college-educated families or even the dream of educational credentials."

Additionally, MSU was cited as one of the "Top 100 Schools Graduating Hispanics" nationally, the second time the University has been so recognized.

Student-built seismograph detects California earthquake

Elias Ahadi, a physics and chemistry major, found it difficult to believe that the amplifier circuit he rebuilt for a homemade seismograph in Richardson Hall detected an earthquake 3,000 miles away the day after he plugged it in. But that's what happened.

Student Elias Ahadi works on the seismograph that detected a California earthquake.

The device recorded an earthquake that registered 7.0 on the Richter scale on Oct. 16 at 6:09 EDT, just 20 minutes after it shook the Mojave Desert in southern California. Although no person in New Jersey felt the tiny vibration, the seismograph, located on the second floor of Richardson Hall, did. Even more amazing is that the earthquake's ripple moved Richardson Hall, whose foundation rests on bedrock. "It freaked me out that the building swayed," said Mary Lou West of Mathematical Sciences.

A horizontal pendulum, the seismograph is constructed from plumbing pipes, piano wire and a horseshoe magnet with an olive oil damper. "Two students built it a couple of years ago," West said. "The directions came from an article, 'How to build a simple seismograph to record earthquakes at home,' in the July 1979 issue of *Scientific American*."

Women's Studies major to debut this fall

As women's studies continues to expand as a field of study on university campuses throughout the country, Montclair State is joining other institutions in offering the program as a major. For more than 20 years, women's studies has been a popular and growing minor at MSU and is expected to be offered as a major in the fall.

Linda Gould Levine, director of the Women's Studies Program, said student interest and demand were two of the most compelling reasons for a bachelor of arts in women's studies. Levine said that three years after the major is implemented she expects there will be 30 to 40 students, most of whom will be majoring in women's studies and another field.

Swim team dives into academics with top rating

The MSU swim team has been recognized as a College Swimming Coaches Association of America (CSCAA) Academic All-American Swimming and Diving team in the "Excellent" category for the spring 1999 semester for its team grade point average of 3.09.

"We have always stressed academics within the men's and women's swimming programs," said Head Coach Brian McLaughlin. "Swimmers, in general, tend to be extremely disciplined individuals, both in and out of the water."

McLaughlin said he is proud of the team as well as past swimmers who are doing well in their studies and careers. He named Anthony Garrow, who graduated in 1995 with a 3.92 grade point average and recently became a chiropractor, and Vicki Zolotiyou, a 1997 graduate who is in her third year at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Faculty member donates a gift of the world

As we're donning winter sweaters, people in Chile and Argentina are trying on bathing suits. That information is readily available in the library. Not off a bookshelf, but on a wall.

A geochron world time indicator has been installed on the first floor of the library. A donation to the University from Paul Scipione of Marketing and his family, the new geochron not only provides the time anywhere in the world, it also displays the international dateline, the distribution of daylight at any given moment and the seasons throughout the world.

"I can't think of another device that can indicate many more things than a geochron," Scipione said.

An avid ham radio operator who has had a geochron in his home for more than a decade, Scipione said he thought the device would be the perfect gift for the glob-

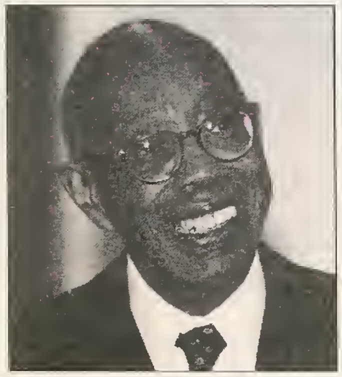
Judith Lin Hunt, dean of Library Services, and Professor Paul Scipione of the Marketing Department admire the geochron world time indicator Scipione and his family donated to the University.

ally minded University. "Montclair State is committed to global education," Scipione said. "Looking at a geochron really gives you a global consciousness."

Scipione is pleased the geochron has been installed in the library where many students, faculty and staff can admire and learn from it. "I wanted it to be in a highly visible place," he said. "This is going to stop people in their tracks."

Alumni News

To communicate with the Alumni Relations Office concerning the following information (unless otherwise noted), send mail to MSU Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave, Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043; phone 973-655-4141; fax 973-655-5483; or send e-mail to alumni@mail.montclair.edu. We look forward to hearing from you.



Pulitzer Prize-winning composer George Walker was on campus this fall to offer commentary and advice about compositions by Montclair State composers Samuel Ayala, Patrick Burns, Brian Driscoll and Jason Loughlin. Walker, who received an honorary degree from MSU in 1997, won the Pulitzer Prize for music in 1996 for "Lilacs."

Nominations sought for Alumni Citation Awards

Each year, the Montclair State University Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates through the Alumni Citation Award. Candidates are nominated by alumni and the campus community. Selection is made by the Alumni Citation Committee and approved by the Alumni Executive Board. Awards will be presented during Alumni Weekend in May.

The Alumni Citation Award may be given to a maximum of three graduates in one academic year. To be considered for the award, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions that have been of benefit to the community, University and/or related agencies or the candidate's profession.

To nominate a candidate, send his/her name, address, telephone number and year of graduation to the Office of Alumni Relations, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043 by March 1.

Nominees will be contacted for a vita and letters of endorsement. The Alumni Citation Committee will screen all nominations and appropriate recommendations will be presented and voted on by the Executive Board.

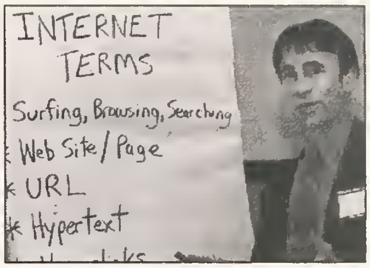
The Harris Directory is online

The Harris Directory is now online on the Montclair State University Web site. Every five years the Alumni Association offers for purchase to all alumni a new written directory that includes the names and addresses of all alumni. A version of the latest directory now is available on the web. As a safeguard, the online directory requires alumni to input their own information. Only MSU alumni will have access to this site.

Visit the MSU alumni site at www.montclair.edu and navigate to the alumni section. While there, also check out the events calendar, alumni benefits and more.

English Department Career Night

Alumni Relations and the English Department teamed up Oct. 28 to provide an evening of networking and learning for alumni and students with a major or degree in English. The evening began with a panel of alumni speaking about utilizing their English degrees in their careers. Students then went into sessions where alumni spoke about various fields including marketing and public relations, corporate communications, free-lance writing, publications, non-profit organizations, the Internet, graduate school and teaching.



In addition, alumni learned about opportunities available through online searches. Christopher Cofone '87 (pictured), a career counselor, presented information about this newest trend in job hunting.

Plans are underway to bring this program to other majors as well.

Children and grandchildren eligible for Legacy Scholarship

The Montclair State University Alumni Association provides one one-year scholarship, known as the MSU Alumni Legacy Scholarship, to an entering full-time freshman who is the child or grandchild of an active MSU Alumni Association member.

The Alumni Legacy Scholarship, valued at $ 3,155, will be awarded on the basis of financial need as determined by the Office of Student Financial Aid, and academic achievement as determined by the Office of Admissions. Interested students must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating MSU as one of the recipients. In addition, they must notify the Alumni Office by Feb. 29 of their interest in the scholarship.

Drop us a line

SEEKING REMEMBRANCES

During the planning of the Life Hall plaque rededication ceremony (see page 11), it was suggested that veterans of all wars and conflicts share their remembrances. We welcome all submissions concerning the years you were away and the difference subsequently attending Montclair made in your life. Excerpts will be published in a future issue of *Alumni Life*. Photos are welcome and will be returned. Please be sure to include your name and class year. Label the envelope "Remembrances."

DON'T DUMP THOSE PHOTOS; WE'LL TAKE THEM!

Do you have photographs of Montclair events that you no longer wish to store or move one more time? The Office of Alumni Relations would welcome the opportunity to receive, hang and cherish those photos. Before you discard them, consider sending them to us. Label the envelope "Photographs."

BE AN ADMISSIONS VOLUNTEER

The Office of Admissions is seeking alumni volunteers to assist with student recruitment. During the course of the year, the Admissions staff sponsors dessert receptions for prospective students at various locations across the state. In addition, the staff attends numerous college night programs. Alumni Relations is looking for alumni who would be inter-

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ested in meeting prospective students and their parents at these programs. Although generally accompanied by an Admissions staff member, alumni occasionally would host the college night event.

In addition, alumni are needed to contact accepted high school seniors, to congratulate them and answer questions.

Interested alumni will be invited to campus for a training session. For more information, call Dr. Alan Buechler, director of Admissions, at 973-655-5116.

SAY "CHEEEEEESE!"

If you are an alumnus/a of Montclair State, you are invited to send a photo of your child (age 5 and under) wearing Montclair State attire for publication in a future issue of *Alumni Life*. Please include the child's name and age, the name of the alumnus/a and class year, as well as an address for the return of the photo. Label the envelope "Future Alumni."

PROGRAMS PLANNED FOR ALUMNI IN EDUCATION

Are you teaching K-12? Are you an educational administrator, supervisor or consultant? Special events focusing on contemporary educational issues are being planned. To be put on the mailing list, send your name, address, phone number and e-mail address to the Alumni Office. Label the envelope "Alumni in Education."

Three inducted into the MSU 1999 Athletic Hall of Fame

Two former baseball players and a former fencing coach have been inducted into Montclair State University's Athletic Hall of Fame.

John Deutsch, Domenica Desiderioscioli and Jim Fasano

John Deutsch, Jim Fasano and Domenica Desiderioscioli were honored at the induction ceremony during Homecoming.

Desiderioscioli, a professor in the Department of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies, was the women's fencing coach from 1966 to 1974. Her teams placed third in the National Intercollegiate Fencing Championship and second in the New Jersey State Team Championships in 1968 and 1970, respectively. In 1976, Desi co-organized the successful National Intercollegiate Fencing Championship held in Panzer Gym.

Ten years after finishing his college career (1986-89), Deutsch still has his name fastened to 41 Montclair State University baseball records. MSU's first three-time All-American, Deutsch claimed first-team honors three years. In 1987 he led the nation and set an MSU record with 22 home runs and 77 RBIs and was named the MVP at the Division III World Series. He holds the records for most RBIs (nine) and second most home runs (three) in a single game. He also holds seven records for a single season, including most home runs (22) in 1987 and most game-winning hits (eight) in 1989.

The third inductee, Fasano helped carry the baseball team to the Division III World Series in each of his years of play (1984-1987), taking home the crown his last year with team MVP honors. A career .387 hitter, Fasano made the All World Series first team in 1985-1987, was a second team All-American in 1987, and team MVP in 1986 and 1987. He also made the All-Conference, All-Region and All-District teams three consecutive years and was on the All-N.J. College Team in 1986 and 1987.

Alumni Association Board Election

The annual meeting of the Montclair State University Alumni Association will be held during Alumni Weekend, Saturday, May 6, at 11 a.m. in the Student Center. In accordance with Article VII of the bylaws, balloting for officers and other members shall be by mail. All active members (those who have contributed to the Annual Fund since July 1, 1999) are eligible to vote.

Complete the following ballot and return it to the MSU Alumni Association, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, N.J. 07043. Ballots must be postmarked by March 15.

Vote for as many individuals as you like by checking the box next the each name. A blank space is provided for write-in candidates.

OFFICERS:

☐ President
Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
☐ Executive Vice President
Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
☐ Treasurer
Vivian Lalumia '86

MEMBERS AT LARGE:

☐ Antoinette (Toni) Clay '80
☐ Sandra Garcia '96
☐ Cheryl Hopper '95 M.A.
☐ George Iannacone '54 '59 M.A.
☐ Phil Kiernan '95
☐ Sandra Mickens '81
☐ Donna Carpinelli Popwich '85 '89 M.A. '92 M.Ed.
☐ Carol Vivona '85 M.A.
☐ Valerie Winslow '95

To vote for this entire slate, check here ☐

Write-in vote:____________________
Name:____________________
Graduation year:____________________
Signature: ____________________

Alumni gather at regional reunions

Montclair State University alumni are spread across the country and many recently gathered together for receptions in or near their hometowns.

A group of enthusiastic alumni held the first regional reception in Myrtle Beach S.C. on Oct. 23 (top photo). Organized by the Alumni Association with the help of Dr. Peter Balsamo '72, Jean Angersbach '58 and Michael Gummelt '91, the event was what they hope will be the beginning of a regional alumni chapter. Also attending the reception were MSU Provost Richard Lynde (standing center) and Director of Development Cynthia Lepre Barnes '72 (third from left), who shared news about Montclair State and brought greetings on behalf of the campus. After successfully helping to organize this fun event, Balsamo is excited about working with the Alumni Association to form a regional alumni chapter in the Myrtle Beach area. Those interested in getting involved can call Balsamo at Coastal Carolina University at 843-349-2648.

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole (center photo, left) greeted Washington, D.C. area alumni including Marla DeRosa '83 and Ken Williams '83 at a reception at the Renaissance Hotel. Local alumni volunteers Robert E. Cleary '53, Dennis Quinn '85, Nicole Gudzowsky '89, Karen Steiner '80 and Brian Sparks '97 assisted Alumni Relations in making sure this event was a success.

In Colorado (bottom photo), Dr. Gregory Waters (standing center), vice president for Institutional Advancement, greeted more than 20 alumni at a regional reception at the Brown Palace Hotel in Denver on Oct. 3. The Alumni Association was lucky to have the assistance of Diane Wendt '68 and Tom Reilly '75 in organizing the event. Waters shared news about the University and campus developments, and alumni discussed the possibility of forming a regional chapter.

If you are interested in attending future receptions in Colorado or Washington, D.C., call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141. ◆

Memorial plaque is given new life

BY MARGOT HORNEY

In 1950, *Life* magazine featured an article about colleges around the country, one of which was Montclair State Teachers College (MSTC). The article cited MSTC as a good school with bad facilities. The GI bill enabling all veterans to attend school had caused overcrowding in the classrooms and temporary housing instead of dorms. There was also no student center. The War Memorial Fund Board set a goal of $380,000 to be raised from faculty, staff, full-time students, parents and private foundations to fill this void. The alumni portion of this was a lofty goal of $150,000.

The private/public campaign, the first such in the institution's history, was successful. The result was Life Hall, dedicated on May 17, 1957 as a tribute to the veterans attending the college and to those who never returned from war. Then president Dr. E. Dalton Partridge officiated at the ceremony. Also participating was Dr. Morris (Moe) McGee '49, professor of English, and Al Krenicki '58, vice president of the Student Government Association and president of the Montclair Veterans Association. The dedication plaque was unveiled, listing the names of the 21 deceased veterans, the names of the committee members who raised the $150,000 and 106 donors who gave $250 or more to support the effort.

Over time, the plaque suffered damage. "The state of the plaque was brought to our attention by board member Syd Salt ('51 '52 M.A.)," said MSU Alumni Association President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. "A committee was formed to research, refurbish and rededicate the plaque to make it once more the fitting tribute to those it honors."

The Life Hall Plaque Rededication Committee, chaired by Jim McGilvray '41, spent many hours researching the names of the donors on the damaged portion of the plaque. To ensure the plaque will stand the test of time, the names of the donors, the eight original committee members of the War Memorial Fund and deceased veterans are now cast in bronze.

A rededication ceremony took place Oct. 9 and the plaque was unveiled in its new location, the lobby of Memorial Auditorium. Nearly 30 veterans, family and friends attended the ceremony. "The completion of Life Hall was possible only through the contributions and hard work of the alumni and those of you who were students while it was being built," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "It is therefore fitting that the Alumni Association agreed to underwrite the restoration of the dedication plaque. The plaque will serve as a reminder to all alumni, and to current and future students, of the veterans who sacrificed their lives in service to their country."

Seven alumni—Louis N. Cirignano '56, William

(Continued on page 14)

Celebrate Montclair 2000

RESERVATION INFORMATION
RSVP BY APRIL 20
Return to:
Alumni Weekend
Montclair State University
Alumni Association
Upper Montclair, NJ 07043
If you have any questions,
please call Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141.

Saturday, May 6

50+ COFFEE CLUB
9:30-11 a.m.
Student Center, Faculty Dining Room

Join fellow alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. There will be plenty of time to renew old friendships and share memories of the early days at MSC, MSTC and the Normal School at this special gathering. Be sure to bring photos of your Montclair days and your yearbook.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION
11 a.m-noon.
Student Center, Faculty Dining Room

Attend the annual meeting of the MSUAA. The annual treasurer's report and program review will take place as well as election of new officers and board members. We encourage you to become involved.

ALUMNI ASSOCIATION LUNCHEON
12:30-2:30 p.m.
Student Center Ballroom

The luncheon program will include presentation of Alumni Citation Awards and recognition of retiring faculty. Special tribute will be paid to the Reunion Classes of 1920, 1925, 1930, 1935, 1940, 1945 and 1950. This is a special chance for members to mingle with classmates and enjoy musical offerings.

Later, visit Alumni Green and Russ Hall. See what's new and what has remained the same as you tour the campus on the MSU shuttle bus or go on a shopping spree at the University Store, which will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. for your shopping pleasure.

CLASS REUNION COCKTAIL PARTY AND DINNER DANCE
Cocktail Hour with Open Bar
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Dinner Dance
7:30-11:30 p.m.
Student Center

This is the time for all classes ending in 5 or 0 to renew old friendships and to remember your days at Montclair. You are celebrating a milestone event, and it is our pleasure to invite you for what promises to be a memorable evening of fun and nostalgia. Enjoy dinner and dancing with old friends. A cash bar will be available throughout the evening. You don't want to miss this delicious meal and the fun of dancing away the night.

Registration Form

______Reservations for 50+ Coffee Club
No charge
(Alumni who graduated 1950 and prior)

________Reservations for Alumni Luncheon*
$15 per person
$12 per person for alumni prior to 1950

Reservations for Reunion Dinner Dance* includes cocktail hour and wine with dinner

______Reserve by April 13 (Early Bird Discount) $45 per person

______After April 13 $50 per person

Please indicate your choice of entree:

______Filet Mignon ______Salmon ______Chicken

Name ______________________________ Class__________

Guest's Name ______________________________

Address ______________________________

City ______________ State ______________ Zip __________

Day phone ______________ Evening phone ______________

Class Gift $ ______________ Everyone who contributes to the Class Gift Campaign will receive a token of appreciation.

TOTAL ENCLOSED $ ______________

*Please indicate any special dietary needs. We will be happy to accommodate you.

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Compiled by Sharronda E. Harrell. Includes submissions received by the Office of Alumni Relations as of Nov. 22.

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Carmen Helmer Smith has been named one of six living treasures of Morris County for 1999. She has been volunteering since 1982 at Millbrook Village where she teaches weaving as part of the National Park Service.

51

Kathryn Musso Lacey has opened the Tea Cottage, which serves traditional English cream teas, at her home in the Adirondacks. Lacey has taught for 46 years in K-12 and has done some college lecturing with intermittent spurts of journalism and radio commentaries.

59

Richard "Dick" Daum was honored by the Polish National Catholic Church of America at the 20th General Synod in Chicago. He was presented with the Bishop Zielinski Adult Scouter's medal in recognition of his service to the church and scouting. He serves as a member of the Supreme Council and Scouting Commission of the PNCC and the Parish Committee of Holy Cross Church in West Paterson. Daum retired from teaching in the West Orange schools but continues to maintain their audio visual aids equipment.

60

Victor J. Furho is the assistant to the provost and vice president of Academic Affairs at the University of Texas at Brownsville & Texas Southmost College.

64

Carole Capp Saccocci was selected Teacher of the Year at JFK Memorial High School in Iselin. She has been teaching French for 35 years and serves as director of the World Language Lab.

66

George Virgilio retired in January 1999 after teaching math and computer science for 10 years in Manville and previously in South Amboy.

Claire Wisniewski Virgilio retired in March 1999 after teaching art for 29 years in South Amboy and previously in Sayerville.

68

Tonnes Stave M.A. has been named interim principal of Hightstown High School by the East Windsor Regional Board of Education. He retired in 1998 as principal of Middlesex High School.

69

Greg Komeshok '75 M.A. was elected by the Center of Polish Organizations as the 1999 Grand Marshal for the Passaic, Clifton and vicinity contingent for the 63rd annual Pulaski Day Parade in New York City. Supervisor of career and alternate education, Komeshok is responsible for art, music, vocational education, alternate education, career education, adult education, and gifted/talented students for the Passaic Board of Education.

70

John E. Burke was appointed superintendent of schools in Netcong.

Paul Drew, author of *After the Storm: A Vietnam Veteran's Reflection*, was featured by the New Jersey Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation during its Author Lecture Series. Drew served in Vietnam from 1966-67 in the 196th Light Infantry Brigade of the U.S. Army.

Nancy Maurer Muddel has been nominated for the 1999 Disney's American Teacher Award. She teaches first grade at Clifton School No. 8.

71

Alice Verile Stenlake recently celebrated her 50th birthday. She has been choir director and organist at Stone Harbor's Evangelical Lutheran Church for more than 10 years. Stenlake and her husband, Ron, have resided in Cape May County for 25 years.

Richard Stotler has been appointed principal of Ridge High School in Bernards Township. Prior to his appointment, he served for 10 years as vice principal of Millburn High.

72

Judi McLoughlin M.A. was awarded an A+ For Kids Teacher Grant Award. She teaches at the Holman Elementary School, where she is the speech pathologist. She and Judy Schavio were awarded the grant for their "Great Thinking Machine."

Don Pendley has been appointed to a third term as national development officer of American Mensa, the High IQ Society. He has been a member of Mensa for 18 years and has served in various national leadership positions.

Dr. Char Delhagen Stanko '77 M.A. was appointed superintendent of Roselle Park school system.

Roger Tesi M.A. will retire from his position as Bloomingdale school superintendent and may seek a college professorship. He has served as superintendent for seven and a half years.

Father Edward J. Walsh M.A. is retiring as pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish in Woodlynne after 15 years. He also serves as coordinator of community affairs for the Camden Diocese. He will continue as the diocesan chairman of the Catholic Campaign for Human Development, the U.S. Bishops' Domestic Anti-Poverty Program and director of the Catholic Communication Collection.

Christine M. Leone-Zwillinger '73 M.A. has been named assistant director of the Law Guardian Program in the New Jersey Office of the Public Defender. The unit provides legal representation for children in neglect and abuse cases when placement in foster care or termination of parental rights is sought.

73

Virginia A. Rizzo joined Parkway Mortgage in Kenilworth as human resources manager.

John W. Rodgers has been promoted to senior vice president and day-to-day head of American Re's claims division. He also is a chartered property casualty underwriter, an associate in risk management and an associate in reinsurance.

74

Marcella LoCastro, certified public accountant, has joined the partnership of the firm Deloitte & Touche. She was named partner and deputy practice leader of the tri-state management solutions and services practice.

Marcella LoCastro

Maria Priadka's school, the Maria Priadka School of Dance in South Orange, is entering its 27th year of instruction.

75

Richard A. DeFrehn has been promoted to defined benefits administration operations manager for the Princeton office of William M. Mercer, Inc. In March, he will take on the title of principal. He has 24 years of experience in the actuarial and pension administration fields.

William B. Kretzmer has been appointed chief executive at MAI Systems in Irvine, Calif.

Diane Cattle Rauscher is president of Namery, a commercial name development firm that creates company names, brand names for products and services, program names and tag lines.

76

Carol Amato '96 M.A. is the speech language specialist in the Belleville public school system.

77

Rev. Wayne Ackerman has been inducted into the Hall of Fame at Keyport High School. The Hall of Fame recognizes outstanding achievements of former students and invites them to share their ideas and experiences with current students.

Debra Pravetz '77 enjoyed a wonderful trip to Disney World before starting a new school year. Debra is a learning disabilities teacher consultant with the Lyndhurst Board of Education.

78

Deborah J. Grasso '98 M.A.T. is a teacher at Mount Hebron School in Montclair and is an adjunct professor at Bergen Community College in Paramus. The school district recommended her to be highlighted on the New Jersey Education Association program "Classroom Close-up."

Steven R. Carow has been elected honored service member of the Society of Plastics Engineers in recognition of his outstanding, long-term contribution to the Society. He is account manager at Plaslok Corporation of Buffalo, N.Y.

Janet Turso has been appointed administrative director of financial services at St. Joseph's Hospital and Medical Center in Paterson.

79

Bruce DeLyon M.A. was appointed superintendent of the Little Falls school district.

John DePalma has joined the Tribus Companies in Wayne as senior vice president. He will head the company's group benefits department.

Cathleen A. McCoy

Cathleen A. McCoy M.A., executive officer of the Respiratory Care Board of California, received the 1999 Member Achievement Award from the Council on Licensure, Enforcement and Regulation (CLEAR). The award was presented for her leadership, vision and creativity in fulfilling the goals and objectives of occupational and professional regulation, above and beyond the regular functions of the job.

80

Rose Caparulo Cali received a special salute for her achievements at "Accolades and Applause, An All-Star Celebration." She was honored for her community spirit and outstanding contributions to Montclair. She is the president of the board of Unity Concerts of New Jersey and a member of Montclair State University's Board of Trustees.

Wayne DeFeo '82 M.A. recently co-authored a book, *Practical Recycling Economics*. He also received the Commissioner of New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection's Award for Outstanding Achievement in Recycling. He is executive vice president of the Montclair State University Alumni Association Executive Board.

Elizabeth Greenberg has joined Warner Chilcott as vice president of human resources.

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Merwin Kinkade has been appointed to the newly created Essex County Environmental Commission. He is vice president of Veridian Incorporated Environmental Consultants and is vice chairman of the Montclair Planning Board.

81

Janine Fraser is a top sales associate of the Ramsey Office of Weichert Realtor and is a member of Weichert's President's Club.

Victoria Kniewel M.A. has been appointed assistant superintendent of the North Salem School District in Westchester, N.Y.

82

Guillermo A. Estevez has retired as director of the West New York International Rescue Committee. He is the organizer, founder and first general coordinator of the Cuban Civic Committee, and is the secretary for Human Rights of the Union of Cuban Former Prisoners.

Linda L. Lashley joined the staff of the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities as associate director for policy research.

Rhoda J. Shaievitz M.A. was the featured speaker at the September meeting of the Livingston League of Women Voters. She shared the perceptions and insights she has garnered over the past 30 years about making students ready to learn, the critical factors involved in teaching individuals to think and the policies needed to develop competency in education.

83

Peter Feinstine is founder, president and CEO of the Marketing Brokerage LLC. The company's headquarters are located in Chandler, Ariz.

84

Rene T. Rovtar M.A. was elected to the board of directors for the Morris Area Girl Scout Council. She is the superintendent of schools in Morris County.

85

Joseph C. Kwiatkowski has been hired by *The Catholic Spirit* as an advertising sales representative.

James Fritz was named assistant athletic director at Pfeiffer University, and will continue as head lacrosse coach. Fritz was named conference coach of the year in 1999.

86

John K. Tiene was featured in the Who's Who column of *Business News New Jersey.* He is the chief administrative officer of the Insurance Council of New Jersey.

89

Margaret Peterson has joined the Childers Real Estate Normandy Beach office as a sales associate. She is also a contributing writer for *New Jersey Savvy Living* magazine.

92

Frank Basil joined Cape May County Technical High School, where he will be teaching health and physical education.

Richard Colloca was promoted to manager at Amper, Politziner & Mattia's accounting and auditing department in Edison.

Kenneth Knops M.A. has been appointed principal of Ridgewood Avenue Upper Elementary School in Glen Ridge. He previously served as principal of Forest Avenue Elementary.

Karl Pisarczyk is attending New York University's Leonard N. Stern Graduate School of Business where he is studying for an M.B.A. in finance and entrepreneurial studies. Pisarczyk is employed at Lucent Technologies as a financial analyst.

93

Carrie Hittel teaches science to grades 6 and 7 at Maxson Middle School in Plainfield. She also is a part-time "Flight Commander" instructor at the Buehler Challenger and Science Center in Paramus, where students participate in simulated NASA missions.

95

Michael Lampe has been promoted to account supervisor at Landmark Communications, a public relations firm in Cresskill. He has been with the firm since 1996.

John S. Cappello has been promoted to the director of carbon dioxide business for Praxair, Inc.

96

Robert J. Pagano, Jr. has joined Lockheed Martin, an aerospace firm, as a senior human resources systems analyst.

Ann Perrone is a credit manager at Safer Textiles in Newark. She volunteers her time to the community and is an active member of the Republic Party in Nutley.

97

Dana Starace-Nastasi M.A.T. was part of the first team of 17 volunteers to serve in Mtera through Global Volunteers. For three weeks alongside locals, the volunteers began construction of a new secondary school that will provide an education to students throughout the area. She also is an adjunct professor of English at MSU.

98

Peggy J. Ioselli has begun her first year studies at the Dickinson School of Law of the Pennsylvania State University.

CORRECTIONS:
In the fall issue of *Alumni Life*, a Homecoming photo on page 24 incorrectly identified Mike Puglisi as Lee Primiano. We regret the error.

The following names were inadvertently omitted from the Honor Roll of Donors printed in the fall issue of *Alumni Life*:

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Joan Schleede-Horn

Century Club
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MEMORIAL PLAQUE GETS A FACE LIFT *(Continued from page 11)*

Gelman '41, Joe Hughes '37 '61 MA, Joe Kutner, Audrey Vincentz Leef '43, Emily Posh Lummer '52 and Milt Mirsky '41—read the names of the deceased and shared their own rembrances.

An American flag covered the plaque, as it had during the 1957 ceremony. After the plaque was unveiled, the flag was entrusted to the care of two members of the American Legion Essex County Committee. The flag was ceremonially folded and presented to President Cole and was raised outside College Hall in honor of Veterans Day. It flew throughout the month of November.

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IN MEMORIAM

The Montclair State University Alumni Association was saddened to learn that Dr. Joseph E. Kutner '32 '37 M.A., president of the Association from 1952 to 1954, passed away Nov. 13. "Dr. Kutner was one of the treasures of the Association," said MSUAA President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. "He was instrumental in the successful completion of the Life Hall campaign and he was a tremendous resource in planning the recent rededication ceremony."

Two members of American Legion Essex Country Committee fold the American flag that covered the refurbished plaque during the rededication ceremony.

Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

News about graduates of Panzer College 1917-1964

Jim "Red" Herdic '43 and his wife, Anne, are proud of their granddaughter who was featured in *Sports Illustrated's* July 17, 1999 issue under "Faces in the Crowd." As a sophomore she scored 87 soccer goals, was selected striker of the year in the Atlanta, Ga. area and will probably surpass the state goal record of 147. Jim and Anne spend their summers in Manchester, Conn. and while there they took the opportunity to visit **Dr. Hazel Wacker '33,** who resides in Essex.

Felix Saldutti '49 sends best wishes to his classmates who celebrated their 50th anniversary reunion this year. Felix and his wife, Doris, have a busy schedule keeping up with their seven children and 15 grandchildren.

The Maine Senior Games took place this fall, and playing the defending champion for the tennis singles honors was our own **Glenn F. Moore '49**. Yes, Glenn was the new champion. Glenn then went on to win a gold medal in the basketball free throw contest. We love that "go get 'em" spirit, Glenn.

Another '49 class member, **June E. Brickman**, has been busy checking off that list of things to do and places to go. Other than trips in the good ol' USA, June and good friend, Nina Liss, have traveled in Canada, London and Paris. But the most interesting so far was a weeklong, live-on barge trip traveling on the Burgundy Canal in France at 3 mph. And it only took a week? Sounds great!

Walter Murusyn '52, teacher and head coach at Fairleigh Dickinson University from 1958 to 1978, was inducted as a charter member of the First Athletic Fairleigh Dickinson University Hall of Fame. Congratulations, Walter!

Cliff Back '54, although retired, has remained active in track and field. He is director of officials for three conferences in Morris County and is a starter at county and state meets. In his "spare time," Cliff works a few days a week at the Flanders Golf Course. More proof Panzer people never really retire.

Malcolm Simon '54 and **John Reeves '61** had a sixth soccer book published. Mal and John have donated a set of their books to the Panzer School in honor of **Dr. Hazel M. Wacker** and in memory of Dr. Margaret C. Brown. Mal and his wife, Diane, took some vacation time to enjoy hiking and exploring in the state of Washington and in Victoria, B.C. They said it was "awesome" and if you have been there you would agree.

Pudge Kinney Delaney '56, hailing from Puyalup, Wash., was guest of honor at a party hosted by **Corinne Wisnieski Miller '56** and **Lois Madden Kelly '56.** Helping celebrate Pudge's birthday were class members **Dale Warner Cocchiola, Dorothy Hoffman Dunn, Marilyn Maxcey Brown, Ruth Ann McCartney, Pat Zaccone** and **Francine Birilli Walsh.**

Sharpe James '58 has been Newark's mayor for four consecutive terms. On June 21, 1999 he was sworn in as a state senator, filling the 29th District seat left vacant by the death of Senator Wynona Lipman.

A teacher at Carteret High School for 30 years, **Sandy Gonczlik '60** has retired. Another grad not to be slowed down, Sandy enjoys trout fishing and playing golf. He is a golf commissioner at the Hyatt Hills Golf Course in Clark.

Barbara Shinn Swerkes '64 and her mom, **Doris Kelly Shinn '75**, shared a great event together. They attended the Women's World Cup Finals at the Pasadena Rose Bowl in July. Barbara is a professor of kinesiology at California State University.

IN MEMORIAM

Francis E. Boccia '40

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Engagements

Beth Lomardi '97 to Christopher Lynch

Dawn Kooyenga '94 to **Christopher Figurelli '95**

Lisa Gangemi '95 to **Dan Massaro '96**

Marriages

Michael Arnold '92 to Donna Sabio on Aug. 28.

Robert J. Pagano, Jr. '96 to Margaret C. Ketterer on Aug. 8.

Amanda Soler '97 to John C. Soler on Sept.18.

Births

Marie Bellofatto Johannessen '91 and husband, **Steve Johannessen '92,** a son, Brandon James, born May 30. He joins a brother, Justin Steven, age 2.

Phyllis Blasi Jaskot '85 and **Ted Jaskot '87** happily announce the birth of their son, Kyle Matthew.

Michael A. Ruggiero '82 and his wife, Lisa, a baby daughter, Jillian Ashley. She joins two brothers and a sister.

In Memoriam

Helen Mable Chalmers '23
June I. De Vries Beebe '27
Margaret Dake Turner '27
Adeline Mair Barker '32
Joseph E. Kutner '32 '37 M.A.
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DOCTORAL PROGRAM KEEPS TEACHERS IN THE CLASSROOM

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said. "The only direction was to move out of the classroom and into administration—a road many teachers do not wish to take," she said. "This gives teachers the opportunity to grow more deeply into the profession and take on new roles, including peer-based professional development."

The doctoral program in pedagogy offers two areas of specialization—mathematics education and philosophy for children. Nine students, including Ives and Knutowicz, are enrolled in the math ed. specialization while six others are studying philosophy for children. The teachers come from varied backgrounds with diverse experience. Brynhildur Sigurdardottir came to the United States from Iceland in August 1998 to pursue a master's degree in philosophy for children at Montclair State and work in the world-renowned Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children. She knew the doctoral program was on the horizon and was excited about the prospect of being a part of it. "I want to devote my professional life to philosophy for children," said Sigurdardottir, who spent two summers researching the role of philosophy for children in science education and was recognized by the president of Iceland for her outstanding work. "I knew I couldn't study philosophy for children on this level in Iceland."

After she completes the program, Sigurdardottir plans to return to her homeland and train Icelandic teachers in philosophy for children. "There's plenty of work to do here in terms of integrating philosophy into the elementary classroom," she said.

Two other students in the program are Louise Ferreira, a philosophy professor from Brazil who also earned a master's degree in MSU's philosophy for children program, and Pablo Cevallos, a Fulbright Scholar from Ecuador who designed a college-level critical thinking program in his homeland.

Henry Heinz has more than two decades of teaching experience. Having earned a bachelor's degree and master's degree from Montclair State in 1972 and 1976, respectively, he didn't need to be sold on the quality of the new doctoral program. "I remember the commitment my professors had and the general attitude toward teaching," he said. "I looked into other programs, but was never enthusiastic about them as I am about this program. Montclair State was not only the logical place to go, but the best place to go."

Heinz's motivation for enrolling in the doctoral program is not for advancement or monetary compensation. "Right now it's something I need to do. It's a personal thing," he explained. "It's a need for me to get together with other teachers, talk, share ideas and go back to school and disseminate information.

"There's an isolation that tends to set in and this helps break down that wall," he added.

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Sports Wrap-Up

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this fall:

Head Football Coach Rich Giancola takes a moment with his players after the Dec. 4 game against Rowan.

Football (9-2):

Coach: Rick Giancola

The Red Hawks finished with their best record in more than 10 years to become the 1999 New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) champions and earned a berth in5 the NCAA Division III national tournament. Losing only one game in the regular season, the team defeated conference rival Rowan University in the final game of the regular season to earn a spot in the national playoffs. MSU successfully battled all the way to the quarterfinal round before falling to Rowan, 42-13. Several individual and team records were broken including the single season and career touchdown records by senior tailback Ron Lewis with 17 and 37 TDs, respectively. In addition, 21 players were named to the NJAC All-Star team including special honors given to defensive back Mark Hall, who was named Defensive Rookie of the Year, and Head Coach Rick Giancola, who was named Coach of the Year.

Field Hockey (9-10):

Coach: Dawn Strunk

Winning three of its last four games, the team finished strong and recorded five shutouts on the year. The final win streak included a 2-1 overtime win over conference rival William Paterson to help the team finish third in the New Jersey Athletic Conference at 3-5. The Red Hawks also earned individual recognition at the conference level as senior defender Mary Huguenin was named to the All-NJAC squad.

Men's Soccer (6-9-3):

Coach: Rob Chesney

Of MSU's six wins, five were shutouts including a 7-0 win over John Jay University. Sophomore Atiba Yusuf earned first team NJAC honors while teammates Mike Collela, Greg Paulik and Chris Cifrodella received All-Conference honorable mentions.

Women's Soccer (13-7-1):

Coach: Eileen Blair

In a milestone year, the team went 13-7 in regular season play to earn a spot in the first NJAC women's soccer conference tournament. In that game, the Red Hawks drove top-ranked The College of New Jersey to double overtime before losing, 2-1, on penalty kicks. The team then earned its first ever berth in the Eastern College Athletic Conferenece tournament hosted by Vassar College, N.Y. where it lost to Richard Stockton College, 1-0, in the semifinals.

Tennis (6-3):

Coach: Brian McLaughlin

The Red Hawks started off strong winning their first six matches of the year. During that streak, in a rain-soaked season, MSU shut out three teams—Caldwell, SUNY-New Paltz and Ramapo, 9-0.

Junior Nicole Fredericks was named to the NJAC All-Conference team in both singles and doubles, paired with Paola Alexandres. The women's team continues its season in the spring.

Volleyball (17-16):

Coach: Sandy Sanchez-Lombeyda

The team finished its regular season 15-14, but earned its first berth to the Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) tournament because of its strong schedule. Leading up to the tournament, the Red Hawks finished the regular season with a four-game winning streak to earn a spot in the NJAC tournament. The team lost to Richard Stockton in the second round but played well enough to gain a sixth seed in the ECAC tournament. In the single elimination tournament hosted by Carnegie Mellon in Pittsburgh, Pa, the Red Hawks beat number three seeded Ursinus, 3-1, to get to the championship day, but fell to Johns Hopkins in the semifinals.

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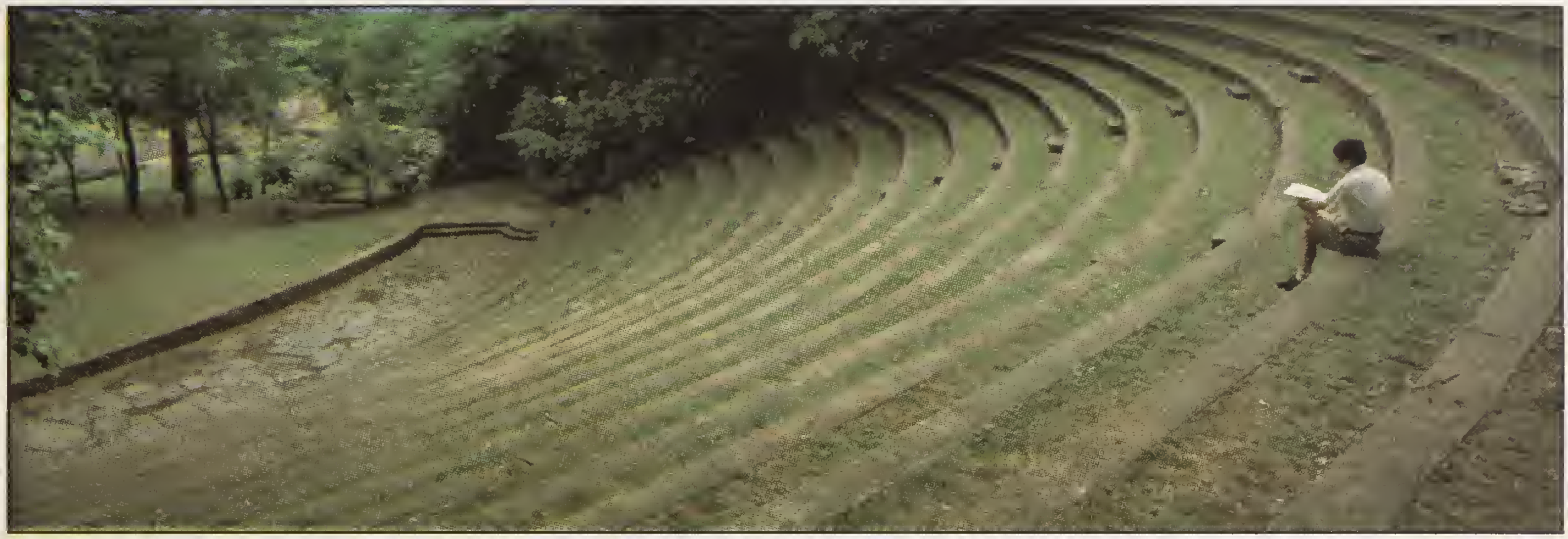

Memories of a special place

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

"The amphitheater, only recently completed and already the scene of outdoor graduations, Players productions, concerts and foreign language festivals, nestles in the woods as if it has always been there. Built out of a bed of native stone, it is the favorite gathering place for students on warm spring days."
— *La Campagna, 1940*

For more than half a century, warm spring days have been the perfect invitation for faculty and students to retreat to the amphitheater, where the bucolic surroundings have been known to nurture learning. A reminder of a campus pre-World War II, the stone structure is regarded as more than just a popular gathering place for the campus community; it is a historic icon whose existence evokes memories for generations of alumni.

Constructed as a Works Progress Administration project—a program established by the federal government to provide jobs to unemployed workers on public projects sponsored by federal, state or local agencies—the amphitheater was completed in 1936 (see story on page 9).

The University, just 28 years old at the time, was called Montclair State Teachers College. Dr. Harry Sprague, a distinguished gentleman who wore round wire classes, was president of the College where approximately 600 students were preparing to become teachers. One year after the amphitheater was built, Sprague Field, whose bleachers also were erected as a WPA project, was dedicated before a game against Hoftstra University. For years, this small section of today's 220-acre campus was the world for Montclair students.

"I certainly remember when the amphitheater was built," recalled Carl Wendel '38, who served as president of the Student Government Association. "Montclair was a lovely, small campus. In fact, I hear you have as many faculty now as we had students in my day."

Meyer Melnikoff '37, '38 M.A. actually worked on the amphitheater under the supervision of the late Paul Clifford, a professor of mathematics. A math major, Melnikoff assisted in surveying the area as part of a class project.

"There weren't many of us who worked on this part of the project," he explained. "I remember helping to lay out the elevation of various areas as the hill went up. It was a lot of fun and very interesting."

Melnikoff, who lives just minutes from campus in neighboring Verona, said the amphitheater continues to bring back fond memories.

Once completed, the amphitheater was the site for the annual commencement ceremony for more than 30 years, until it became too small to accommodate the graduating class. It was also where freshmen assembled on the first day of school. Richard Kelly '67, '70 M.A. remembers it well. "In those days freshmen wore beanie hats," he said almost reluc-

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The Inside Track

Margaret Hait '70, '76 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

By now I am certain that you have read or heard of all the exciting plans in store for Montclair State University. President Susan A. Cole has some ambitious goals for the new millennium, as evidenced by her proposed construction projects for the modernization and expansion of campus facilities. She must be commended for her hard work and desire to make our alma mater into an even finer institution.

I recently met with Dr. Cole and Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, to discuss how the Alumni Association could be involved in this exciting plan. Our alumni are a very important part of Montclair's history and will want to not only preserve that history, but become part of the future as well. We came to the conclusion that the amphitheater should be our focus.

The amphitheater has played an important role on campus, particularly in the years prior to the late sixties, before much of the growth and expansion. Constructed in 1936, the amphitheater was used for assembly programs, plays, concerts, language festivals, baccalaureate ceremonies and commencement.

My first exposure to the amphitheater came during my senior year of high school on a lovely, spring Sunday afternoon. I had been accepted by then Montclair State College and was attending an orientation meeting with my family. I remember thinking how fortunate I was to be attending a college with such great campus. As a student I frequently would visit the amphitheater to read or just enjoy the quiet beauty. I still find myself stopping by during visits to campus.

By 1966 the size of the student body had grown too large to accommodate the crowds for events once held in the amphitheater. Lack of a stage area, modern lighting, audio equipment and other amenities caused the shift of activities to Memorial Auditorium.

Among the proposed construction projects is a 1,000-space parking facility. This has certainly been a major need for many years. Included in this project is a 500-seat theater. Since both will be built adjacent to the amphitheater, the need to renovate the structure became imminent. With a proper stage, lighting and sound equipment, the amphitheater could become a vital part of the theater and once again could accommodate concerts and performances of many kinds. The existing amphitheater will be preserved and restored to its original beauty. Alumni Green, already one of the most beautiful areas on campus, is a natural neighbor. An alumni committee will meet with the architects to ensure that the original integrity of the amphitheater is maintained.

Obviously, in order for all of this to happen we need your help. You will soon be receiving more information about how you can contribute to this campaign. The Alumni Association Executive Board has whole-heartedly endorsed this project and has committed a portion of its budget to it. This is a wonderful opportunity to give something back to the University and I know I can count on you for your support.

Dr. Susan A. Cole
President, Montclair State University

Montclair State University has long been recognized as a center of excellence in the arts, and the University's music program has a particularly strong tradition as a fine and distinctive program. Under the guidance of the distinguished faculty, as well as visiting musicians from many of the finest performing groups in the metropolitan region, our students receive excellent development as performers. The quality of this training is evident in the fact that Montclair State alumni perform with major musical institutions in the metropolitan area, including the New York City Opera, the New Jersey Chamber Music Society, the Metropolitan Opera Orchestra and the New York Philharmonic.

We also have alumni who have achieved international recognition as composers, such as George Rochberg, and performers such as Melba Moore and the internationally acclaimed baritone, Paul Plishka.

The University also offers an exceptionally strong program in music education. Today, children have the benefit of more than a thousand outstanding Montclair State alumni who teach music in schools across the state. The University also has educated superbly trained music therapists who work in hospitals and special facilities, conduct research and provide invaluable clinical assistance to a wide variety of populations.

A special focus on the musical education of children is supported by the work of the Preparatory Center for the Arts. It is there our performance, education, therapy and composition majors work alongside experts in childhood music education and gain valuable teaching experience before they graduate.

The University's music students have the benefit of participation in a number of performing groups and ensembles. And the University recently became the home of Newband and the instrument collection of composer Harry Partch.

The Music Department presents more than 100 concerts a year, but the University has never had a performance space that is well suited to music. That will all change with the construction of the first new major performance venue since Memorial Auditorium was built in 1957.

Located at the historical center of the campus and designed in the University's distinctive Spanish mission style, the new theater will provide a state-of-the-art performance space for our music program, as well as for our dance and theater programs, and the many world renowned visiting performers who enrich the cultural life of our university and the surrounding communities. The new 500-seat theater will have superb acoustics, sophisticated stage equipment, and seating and reception areas designed for comfort and elegance. The new theater will enhance our important educational programs in the performing arts, and its location, contiguous to our new parking garage and renovated amphitheater, will make it an enduring resource for the thousands of people in nearby communities.

The sweet sounds of construction soon to be heard across the campus will give way to the even sweeter sounds of the music of the future when our new theater opens its doors in 2003.

Alumni Profile

Cathy Frank-White '62

BY PERRY JONES '99

Mayor, mother, manager, even teacher: Cathy Frank-White '62 has been all these and more. But the word Frank-White says best describes her is "motivated." And she is living proof that motivation pays off. This year she was named the first woman president of the Greater Mercer County Chamber of Commerce.

"There's nothing out there you can't do if you put the time and effort into doing it," she said. This is not empty rhetoric, coming from the mouth of a woman who has been government relations manager of the Wakefern Food Corporation, executive director of the New Jersey Association of Chiefs of Police, mayor of Montgomery Township in Somerset County and mother of two. "Number one in my life has always been to be a good mother," she said. In fact, it was her advocacy for her children and other children in town that led to her tenure as mayor. "In an affluent town of 33 square miles there was no place for the kids to play ball," said Frank-White, who would pull weeds from the park so her two sons and their friends in Little League had a place to play. It was not long before she decided a better solution would be to join the town's Recreation Committee. She soon became chair and obtained Green Acres funding, a state fund that provides matching grant money for towns to purchase property for recreational purposes. Her work, however, was not done. She wanted to make sure the money was put to good use.

"That's when I ran for office," she said. The zealous mother won her bid for mayor, held the position for six years and eventually established Montgomery Park. "Every position I've been in has been a challenge, and when I feel as though I've accomplished what I set out to do, I'm not afraid to move on."

Frank-White took on a new challenge last year when she became the first woman president of the Greater Mercer County Chamber of Commerce. As it turns out, her son, Michael Beacham, vice president of the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce, played a role in getting her to consider the job. When he read the advertisement for the Mercer County post, he immediately sent a copy to his mother with a note that read, "Who does this sound like?"

"It was almost as though they had taken my credentials word for word and written them up," Frank-White said. Still, she remembers submitting her application without any expectations of a favorable outcome. The Chamber's search committee selected her by unanimous vote.

Her goal as president is to create the strongest Chamber in the state.

"Networking is our main mission," she explained, and business representatives keep Chamber members informed at monthly networking lunches. Recently, a representative from Merrill Lynch told members of its plans to open a new facility that will eventually employ 6,000 people.

The publisher of *Mercer Business*, Frank-White also is focusing her efforts on expanding the Chamber's membership. "They never had a full-time membership person," she explained, "so I've hired someone who has brought in 22 new members in just one month. But I won't take a member unless I feel we can help them. I'm not just out there for numbers' sake."

To fulfill her many roles, Frank-White has become an expert in time management, a skill she learned as a student. "I got my training at Montclair State," she explained. "I was financially self-supporting thanks to on-campus job opportunities." Frank-White worked in one of the residence dining halls, assisted the golf coach and worked in Sprague Library.

"I started this trend of busy, busy, busy way back then," she said. "I got more than an education from Montclair State."

Retirement doesn't seem to be something Frank-White will ever consider. "As long as I have the energy and am able to do the job, I'll keep going," she said.

Spare cello, anyone?

By Maryann Brinley

If all goes well, Jean Hall '50 and Meyer Melnikoff '37 will help make beautiful music through a new Montclair State University honors string quartet. The pair, however, will not be performing. The applause will be for their generosity in donating instruments on which students will have the opportunity to showcase their talents.

When the Musical Instrument Endowment and Acquisition Fund announced the need for high-quality instruments for performance majors, Hall and Melnikoff dusted off treasured stringed instruments and saw an opportunity to help their alma mater. Board of Trustees member Murray L. Cole and his wife, Miriam, established the fund last year. As a result, Melnikoff's violin and viola, and Hall's violin are now just one instrument shy of comprising a quartet.

"All we need is a cello, and we will be able to recruit gifted students, offering them scholarships as well as the opportunity to play these special instruments, certainly of better quality than what they may have been using," said Ruth Rendleman, chair of the Music Department. Not only are the gifts of great value but each comes with a special personal history.

Never a music major, Hall, who resides in Belmont, Mass., first picked up the violin when a fellow high school teacher was writing a Ph.D. thesis on techniques for older students learning to play stringed instruments. "I qualified for his experiment because I was older," she explained. "I played the piano but I discovered that I was so terrible on the violin that my cat would go beserk at my squeaking sounds. Yet, a group of us would assemble in this gentleman's basement and I got so involved that I started taking lessons at a music school. After this teacher got his doctorate, a friend and I continued to play duets. My grandfather had been a concert violinist and I thought I might have acquired some of his talent. I didn't," she laughed.

Yet, Hall's violin attraction has a bittersweet story behind it. "My grandfather came to this country escaping from Germany's Kaiser in the 1880s when he was four. He was a violinist who turned to teaching music, but I never had the privilege of hearing him play. Times were hard and after being forced to work in a paint factory, exposure to lead in the paint crippled his hands. I grew up in Somerville and at the time, our family thought it was arthritis. No one suspected lead as the cause."

The violin was her grandfather's whole life. "With both hands deformed, he was never able to play again," she said. "As a child I would play the piano and he'd come over, tap his foot, and tell me I had lots of promise." Decades later, after her graduation from Montclair State, success in graduate school at the University of Pennsylvania, then in Minnesota, work in Washington, D.C., a law degree, marriage and motherhood, Hall remembered her grandfather while playing her violin. "He had a remarkable career," she recalled. So did she.

Melnikoff, who splits his time between his homes in Verona and Scottsdale, Ariz., has never lost his love for music, especially string quartet. But his boyhood violin and the viola thrust into his life by Professor Edna McEachern when he was a 15-year-old freshman at Montclair State in 1933, lay untouched for years. "When I was nine," Melnikoff recalled, "my mother decided that I should learn to play the violin. Later I remember being at Bloomfield High School and making the All-State High School Orchestra, which was a fascinating experience. At 14, I became the assistant concert master for the Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra. When I entered Montclair State in the fall of 1933, majoring in mathematics with a music minor, I was only 15. Dr. McEachern thought it would be a good idea to have a string quartet but the school had no viola players, so she persuaded me to take it up and arranged for my lessons."

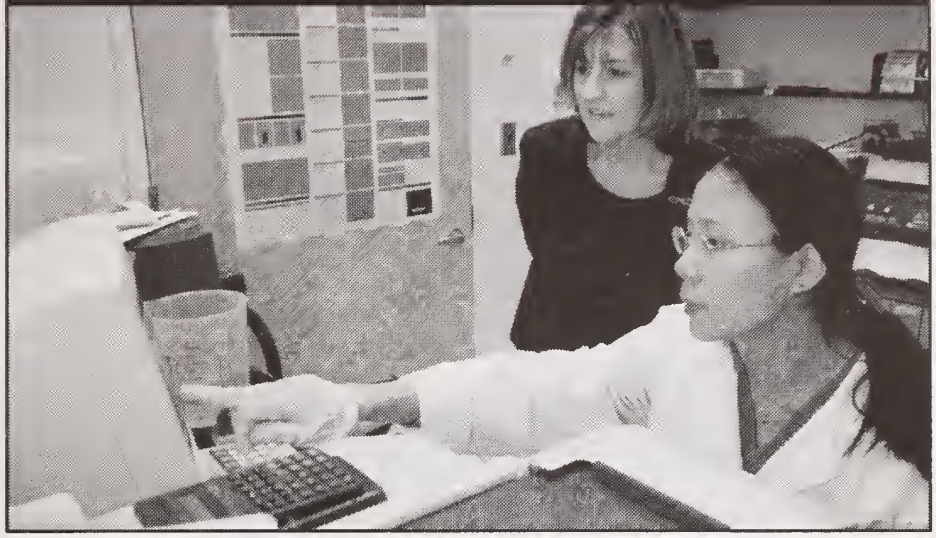
Unexcited back then, Meyer saw McEachern's encouragement as "just another burden." Yet, he also thrived under her tutelage. Recalling that first quartet experience, he said, "She even had to bring in a 'ringer' (non-student) to play first violin. Later, this fellow did become a student and my exposure to him led me into another quartet. I remember winning first prize in a contest and playing on a national radio hook-up one Saturday afternoon." After graduation, Melnikoff began working in Prudential's actuarial department, and could no longer afford to devote eight hours a week to practice. "Because my wife plays the piano, we have continued our interest in hearing fine chamber music performances," he said. "I hope these donated instruments help other people develop a love of music."

Just waiting on a cello, junior Yvonne Aquino (standing) watches as fellow students (from left) freshman Kimberly Syvertsen, senior Yvonne Bignon and graduate student Syung Yun practice their music.

Donating instruments is just one way of supporting the fund. Contributions also can be made to support the endowment and the acquisition fund. For more information, call the Development Office at 973-655-4344.

Research set in Stone

By Lisa Romeo



Carol Stone (standing) works with biochemistry major Julia Huang.

The holder of the Margaret and Herman Sokol Chair in Chemistry is not a 50ish academician who rarely steps out of the lab and limits teaching to a handful of brilliant Ph.D. candidates.

Instead, Carol Stone is someone who relishes combining research and teaching; someone with an interest in all students; someone who is ready to build a lab from the ground up. For all the notoriety her appointment generated, there is none in her demeanor, not a hint of self-importance. In fact, Stone feels lucky to have landed here at a relatively early stage of her career.

"Endowed chairs are typically very senior, prestigious researchers. This chair was aimed at a researcher earlier on the career path, so I thought it was a really good opportunity to perform research within a traditional teaching environment," she explained.

Stone was appointed as the Sokol chair in September. The University's first endowed chair, the position is funded by a $1.25 million donation from alumna Margaret McCormack Sokol '38, in memory of her late husband, Herman, '37, a research chemist and teacher. President of Bristol-Meyers Company from 1976 until his retirement in 1981, Herman was instrumental in discovering the antibiotic tetracycline and the development of the basic processes of its manufacture. The chair's very existence pulls MSU from the ranks of a predominantly teaching-oriented university over a bit to the research side of the ledger.

"At a research institution, there may have been any number of faculty doing similar work. It would have been easier to conduct research, from the standpoint of having more equipment and a smaller teaching load. But I love teaching," Stone said.

In the classroom, she creates a symbiotic relationship. "I never want a 'me teacher, you student' attitude. I like a cooperative learning environment." On her tests, one question calls for a five-minute small group discussion. "That five minutes is my favorite part of the day," she said. "I see and hear students actively talking about science."

Science came alive early on for Stone, having the good fortune of being born into a family laden with teachers, college professors and scientists. She earned a bachelor's degree in mathematics and bacteriology from Ohio Wesleyan University, as well as a master's degree in microbiology from Indiana State University and a master's in applied statistics from Ohio State University. When she met a biochemistry researcher from Indiana University, it changed everything, and she transferred to a biochemistry Ph.D. program there.

Next came a post-doctoral fellowship at the University of California/Riverside, where Stone became interested in a specialized area of enzymology (the study of human enzymes). There, she found her life's work: exploring various ways in which the dozens of human liver enzymes break down ethanol (alcohol). She pursued intensive research for five years at Indiana University Medical Center. "I knew from this experience that I wanted more student interaction, and that's what took me to Stevens (Institute of Technology in Hoboken)," she explained.

Stone, her husband, Steve, and two daughters, Lauren, 8, and Shannon, 5, moved to Essex County last spring. Shortly afterward she learned about the professorship opening at Montclair State.

"This was a competitive position, and I am honored to have been chosen," she said. "There are many quality students who are motivated and want to do research."

In her few months here, Stone already has gained a sense of the students' commitment to research. She recalled a story about one graduate student who had a dilemma. "She had a great idea, but we didn't have the necessary equipment and facilities on campus. In her literature search she noticed the name of a researcher at a food manufacturer nearby. So I gave her a challenge: Pick up the phone. By the end of the phone call, the researcher invited this student to conduct her research in his lab. To me it was a great example of the caliber of students at MSU."

Stone is able to translate the minutia of her particular scientific niche—the kinetics of alcohol metabolizing enzymes: human liver and stomach alcohol dehydrogenase (ADH) isoenzymes—into understandable language. When someone drinks alcohol, it ends up in the liver as ethanol. "There, as many as 22 active enzymes may react to the ethanol. It may be just one enzyme that reacts, or all, or some, or virtually none of them. Further, any one of the enzymes that do act to break down the ethanol can have varying degrees of sensitivity and react at varying speeds."

The fascinating part, Stone explained, is that different populations have different enzymes. "Enzymes vary between ethnic groups, but we are not sure if they vary from person to person. They may. So we can begin to ask, 'Are certain types of people more susceptible to alcohol toxicity? Are there differences between men and women?' This research touches on a major and complex issue in society, so there is a very human element to it," she said, openly displaying her passion for her work.

"The propensity for alcoholism is complicated with environmental and genetic issues. I want to know if someday we can simulate (via computer) what might be happening with the array of enzymes in a human liver. Can we predict how quickly an enzyme can break down ethanol when a particular individual takes a drink? Given a specific population, will we one day be able to develop predictive measures that can determine a group's or an individual's risk for alcoholism?" she pondered. "What's so interesting to me is that not just one enzyme is responsible for ethanol breakdown, but dozens of enzymes are all at work, at different times and at different speeds. Yet in the long run, they all work together in this amazing pattern, but the pattern varies."

Like the enzymes she enjoys studying, Stone and the varying roles she plays—researcher, teacher, mentor—also seem to weave their own amazing, interlocking pattern.

Themed academies...a new way of teaching and learning

By Bill Valladares

Susan Hollar of MSU's Department of Reading and Educational Media is helping to shape young minds at the Pre-Collegiate Teaching Academy in Paterson.

When the Paterson Board of Education decided to revitalize its schools by experimenting with themed academies that stray from the traditional learning environment, it turned to Montclair State University for assistance.

The University answered the call and submitted a proposal to establish an academy for young people—especially people of color—interested in teaching. Montclair State received a $447,000 three-year grant from the Lucent Technologies Foundation to support the development of the Montclair State University Pre-Collegiate Teaching Academy (MSUPTA), a rigorous academic college preparatory program with a focus on math, science and literacy. The grant also funds a summer bridge program for new students.

"Offering alternatives and choices to public school children and their families represents a ground-breaking effort by the city of Paterson," said Cynthia Onore, director of Montclair State's Center of Pedagogy. "These academies allow students to choose schools where their strengths lie."

Richard Curcio, director of the Lucent Technologies Foundation, said Lucent was looking to offer new and innovative grants that would help minority children. "When I attended a session during a site visit to the academy, I was pleased to see students learning—and enjoying what they were doing—in a structured, learning environment," he said. "But what absolutely floored me was the parental involvement at orientation. The parents want to ensure the success of their children and this program. I saw first-hand that this venture has all the components to make this academy successful."

Michelle Morris and her daughter, Phanie, came to a mutual decision in choosing the Paterson Academy. "We both were concerned about academics, but the teachers from Montclair State are dedicated and experienced," said Michelle. "We also thought teachers from a college atmosphere would give Phanie better exposure to the college life. I attend all the parents' meetings because as a parent I have a lot to say, and the teachers respect that."

Phanie described the school as "a family."

"The teachers focus on individuals, so they know who excels and who needs help," she said.

The academy's program, which emphasizes critical thinking and democratic practice teaching from a variety of perspectives, attracted Phanie, who wants to become a cardiologist and then a teacher of cardiologists.

"The Lucent grant enables us to give young people extra help with their skills, to introduce them to alternative ways of thinking about teaching and learning, and to build a sense of community," said Curcio. "We are especially interested in recruiting minority students because there aren't enough teachers of color in the profession." Regardless of whether they decide to pursue a teaching career, students who fulfill the graduation requirements are guaranteed admission to Montclair State.

The academy, which opened in September with 60 ninth graders, is a collaboration among the University, the Paterson Board of Education and the Paterson Education Association. Members of the campus community are working together to ensure high academic standards. Linda Wise of Reading and Educational Media serves as university liaison and program director; Jennifer Robinson of Curriculum and Teaching and Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services, developed both the proposal to

Teaching Academy students (from left) Engoli Rivera and Kimberly Bolanos are enjoying the social studies class headed by teacher Betiana Caprioli.

Paterson to create the school and the Lucent grant proposal; and Ann Marie DiLorenzo of Biology and Molecular Biology and Anthony Piccolino and Mark Korlie of Mathematical Sciences developed the summer bridge program curriculum. University faculty work with Academy faculty to develop the curriculum. Five teachers at the Paterson Academy work with faculty mentors who visit with them every week, and MSU graduate students teach elective and enrichment classes while undergraduates, who they're calling Lucent fellows, assist in the summer bridge program and work as enrichment coaches during the year.

Onore has been overwhelmed by the enthusiasm and response she's received from her invitation to the members of the campus community to explore how they could contribute to the school.

"It proves that public education is something that matters across campus," she said. "The public school experience typically is made up of discrete, unconnected chunks of subject matter. We've developed an interdisciplinary curriculum in which themes are carried across every subject so there's a coherence to the curriculum. That means teachers also serve as advisers and students work in teams. We must develop ourselves as faculty to accommodate a wide range of student achievement in one classroom."

In addition to major subject areas, and music and art, Onore said MSUPTA will provide enrichment opportunities such as classes on financial planning, computer applications, an environmental science club and a service-learning component where students read to and tutor children in elementary school.

Communication is a vital element in the academy's success. "The school is a total environment that must educate the whole person," Onore said. The school day begins with a 25-minute homeroom advisory period where teachers and students discuss issues. There are four clusters of 15 students who are bonding, protecting and helping one another.

Although the academy is an in-district charter, Onore said that term is misleading because a charter school usually functions outside the regular school system. MSUPTA, however, follows to the same regulations that govern all city public schools, including Education Association regulations, and adheres to the New Jersey State Core Curriculum Content Standards.

Students who apply to the academy go through a rigorous admissions process, which includes constructing a dossier and interviewing with representatives from the academy and the University. "We want applicants to feel there's a mutual selection process," she said.

Sara Tineo is one of the many students thriving in Montclair State University's Pre-Collegiate Teaching Academy in Paterson.

Like any new venture, MSUPTA is experiencing growing pains. Onore said their space on the ground floor at 137 Ellison St. didn't receive a certificate of occupancy until the afternoon prior to opening day. Literally starting from scratch, they scrambled for basic supplies and used makeshift desks. Facilities are limited, so students share a cafeteria with another academy and take gym at a local Y.

"Being a pioneer at anything is exhilarating, but it's also hard," said Onore. "The logistics present struggles, but we're adjusting, and we hope to spread out to the second floor next year when a new group of ninth-graders come in." The plan is to expand the academy to grades nine through 12 by adding a new ninth-grade class each year.

"The idea of choice is a good one and I hope it expands," she continued. "Our greatest challenge is to ensure that student achievement is actually raised. We've got to demonstrate that there is a visible, documentable, even quantifiable difference in the academic achievement of students who go through this experience."

Although she doesn't think this type of innovative academy will ever completely replace the traditional comprehensive school, Onore sees enormous advantages in this type of structure. "A small school provides the opportunity for support, nurturing, caring and close relationships. Everybody knows that the more an environment can be personalized, the better students do in school."

The amphitheater is a campus icon that has served as the location for major events, such as the 1996 visit by Vice President Al Gore (top), and the backdrop for many yearbook photographs, including this one that appeared in the 1940 La Campagna. *Opposite, the amphitheater today.*

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tantly in fear of dating himself. "There we were, the entire freshman class with our beanies, gathered in the amphitheater. Some of the deans spoke and then we went off to begin our daily activities." Kelly paused a moment, chuckling at the recollection that brought him back 38 years. "The amphitheater is a place I will never forget."

Emma Fantone '36, '37 M.A. also remembers the amphitheater's construction and attending its dedication ceremony. "It was used quite extensively," said the 86-year-old who is a long-time volunteer at the Newark Museum. "At the time I worked in the school's audio/visual department. We'd put up 12-foot screens and show movies in the amphitheater at night. About 150 people would come out to watch."

Although its natural open space makes the amphitheater a perfect place for public gatherings, it also serves as a private retreat for many students. They often claim a small section on one of the 30 rows of steps, which proves to be the perfect setting for an intimate conversation, reading or simple solitude. "I'll never forget this one student who would go to the top step to practice his horn—a trombone, I think," recalled Fantone. "I can still see him in my mind."

Today the amphitheater continues to be used for special performances, festivals and classes. Students still retreat to the amphitheater to study or practice their music. "It was the perfect place when it was nice out," Wendel said.

In 1983, a convocation celebrating the University's 75th anniversary was held in the amphitheater. It was also the stage for a 1995 Players' production of Shakespeare's "Much Ado About Nothing." Alicia Williams '99 was cast as the lead female role, Beatrice, in her freshman year. "It was incredible," she recalled. "It was a beautiful autumn day and there we were in these terrific costumes—the girls in these big dresses and the guys in these old-fashioned suits. Doing the play in the amphitheater, surrounded by the stone with the trees and grass in the background, really brought back the classic Shakespearean period."

Eric Diamond, a professor in the Department of Theatre and Dance, remembers the production. "The amphitheater really added to the ambiance of the play," he said, adding that students would come and watch between classes. "The production enhanced the college atmosphere."

The amphitheater became the gathering place for the national media on Sept. 11, 1996 when an audience of nearly 3,000 came to hear U.S. Vice President Al Gore speak. The amphitheater also has been the speaking ground for several New Jersey governors, including Brendan Byrne and Jim Florio.

As the University grows, the amphitheater remains a central part of campus. Time and Mother Nature, however, have taken a toll on the stone structure. In an effort to restore the amphitheater to its natural beauty, renovation plans are underway. The $500,000 project, which includes improvements to the landscaping and lighting, will be funded entirely through alumni giving. (See "The Inside Track," page 2.)

"I think it's a great idea," said Kelly, who

already has contributed to the project. "I have fond memories of the amphitheater and want to give something back."

The renovation project coincides with construction plans for a state-of-the-art parking facility and a 500-seat theater that will be located near the amphitheater. (See story on page 10.) The project is one of several the University is planning to accommodate a student body expected to reach 18,000 in the next eight years. Through it all, MSU President Susan A. Cole is dedicated to maintaining the campus's historical integrity, starting with the amphitheater.

"The amphitheater is a place of great personal meaning and fond memories for generations of Montclair State graduates," Cole said. "As the University grows, our alumni can be certain that the amphitheater will remain an important part of Montclair State's history and future."

Send us your amphitheater memories

Do you have a favorite memory about the amphitheater? How about a photo of you and your classmates in the amphitheater? Send it to us so we can continue to share alumni recollections in future issues of *Alumni Life*. Send it to: Diana St. Lifer, Montclair State University, Office of Public Information, 1 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043 or e-mail stliferd@mail.montclair.edu

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Outdoor Amphitheater Nears Completion at Montclair State Teachers College

WPA workers will complete construction of the amphitheater on the campus of Montclair State Teachers College this week. The finished theater will seat 1,500 persons. Thirty rows of concrete and native rock, each row placed two feet higher than the preceding row, have been provided. The orchestra pit is large enough to accommodate the college choir and orchestra simultaneously, and the stage has a depth of 40 feet and width of 70.

Thirty trees have been uprooted and depths of nine feet have been excavated by the workers in the process of building this outdoor, semi-circular structure, which will serve as a setting for student programs and commencement exercises.

Another project on the campus is the new athletic field, still under construction. Five hundred and fifty feet long and 400 feet wide, the field is to contain one-fifth mile track, which will be ready for use this spring, a baseball diamond and a football field, to be used for the first time next year.

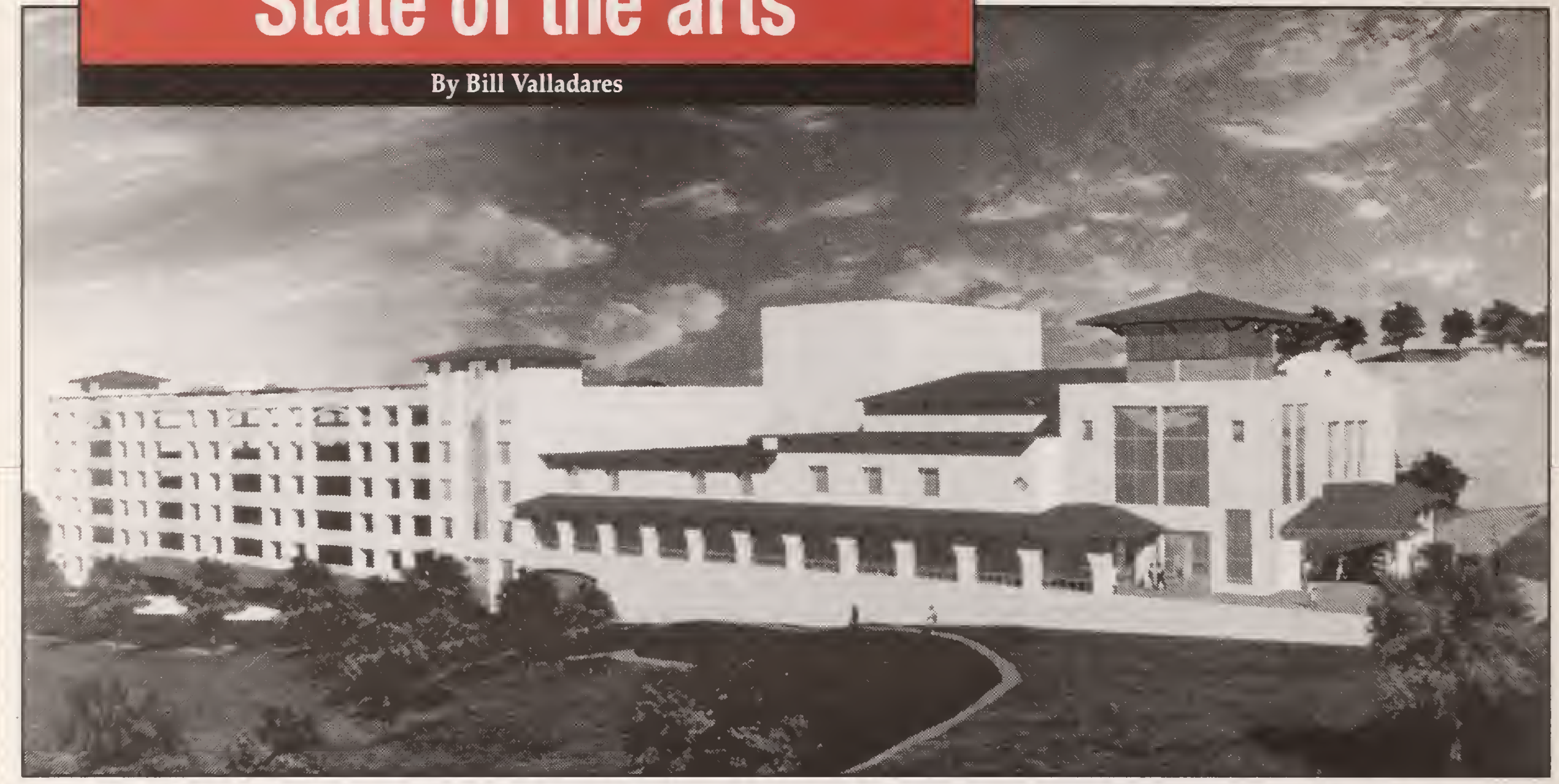
Plans are being made to enclose the entire grounds with a fence and to construct concrete stands with a capacity of 1,100 people. President Roosevelt has approved the construction of the stands as a WPA project, and work will begin immediately.

Recent completion of a new parking space adjacent to College Hall affords accommodation for 120 cars. This field takes the place of a very inadequate space formerly situated on the same area.

Paul C. Clifford, instructor in mathematics, has supervised the planning of the projects in conjunction with the WPA.

State of the arts

By Bill Valladares



The University often boasts about its 14-mile proximity to Manhattan, a hub of cultural activity. In a few years, however, it may be the Big Apple that raves about its proximity to the cultural nightlife at Montclair State when a new 500-seat theater opens on campus. With an emphasis on music performance, the new theater also will be fully equipped for concert, theater and dance events. But it will be more than the performances that bring music to the ears of the campus community and theatergoers. The theater will be connected to a new multi-level, indoor parking structure, accommodating 1,000 vehicles and providing easier access to and from campus.

Architect Wei Chi Chen, a senior associate at the Hillier Group, designed the 45,000-square-foot theater and parking structure in Montclair State's historic Spanish mission style, blending the traditional white concrete walls and red tile roof with modern design and function. "The theater," explained Chen, "will connect the quadrangle between Sprague Library and College Hall, and will serve as a gateway to the University." Its glass facade will border Alumni Green, giving those inside a wonderful view of the landscaped area.

Chen said the front of the building will be elevated so students can sit on the steps to study, chat or eat lunch.

With offices throughout the United States and London, Hillier has a reputation for architectural excellence. Among its accomplishments are the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Philadelphia; the 2,000-seat Lyric Theatre in Sydney, Australia; the New Jersey State Aquarium; and additions to Mountainside Hospital's ambulatory care facility and the Montclair Public Library.

The theater will be used extensively by the University's music program, which attracts distinguished faculty, students and guest artists who perform in more than 100 musical events every year, ranging from the Gregorian chant through avant-garde jazz. The theater also will be used for plays and dance performances.

Charles Cosler of Charles Cosler Theater Design in New York and David Greenberg of Creative Acoustics in Connecticut will ensure that the theater's acoustics is state of the art.

"Because the hall has a multi-use aspect, it must have superb acoustics for music, dance and theater productions," said Cosler. "Music requires reverberation while theater requires a dry atmosphere. The orchestra pit is subdued to allow the audience to focus on the stage, and the stage-house volume will be coupled with the audience chamber. A 150-seat balcony will be constructed over the orchestra rows, so everyone in the audience will be tighter to the stage. A smaller audience can sit downstairs where the base and the underside of the balcony will direct sound from the stage back to the center."

Greenberg, who has the task of enhancing natural acoustics for music and unamplified speech, said space directly affects the acoustics. The background noise level must be low to increase the dynamic range of the performance. "Noise from the outside, air conditioning or heating that masks quiet moments between speech and music ruins the moment," he explained. "It's not a glamorous part of acoustic design, but a vital one." Greenberg has designed the acoustics for the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark and the New Amsterdam Theatre on Broadway, which houses Disney's "The Lion King." Both he and Cosler point to the architectural importance when considering acoustics because the shape of the room greatly determines the quality of sound from the stage to the audience.

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>
> *Montclair State President Susan A. Cole*

"The new theater will provide the perfect size space for many of our music and theater performances," said Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts. "The 150-seat recital hall is often too small while the 1,000-seat

Memorial Auditorium can be too large." A 500-seat theater provides an optimum venue, especially for unamplified instruments and voices in training.

The theater will serve the community as well. Musicians from neighboring townships and the more than 500 children who participate in the Preparatory Center for the Arts' Music Division will have an opportunity to perform in the theater.

"Our wide range of artistic offerings make this structure crucial, not only for the University's future, but also for the enhancement of cultural opportunities in New Jersey," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. "With this building, our plan to make Montclair State one of the leading artistic venues in the region will become a reality."

The modern eight-level parking structure, complete with an elevator, will make the theater project most attractive. "The fourth level will lead directly to the theater's main entrance via a loggia, which will provide cover during inclement weather while still giving pedestrians an open view of the campus," said Semmy Ju, associate vice president of Facilities Management.

It is also on the fourth level where the University plans to build a café. During the week, faculty, students and staff can park and grab a cup of coffee and a muffin on the run. Those who like to eat in can take advantage of the café's seating and a menu that will feature breakfast, lunch and dinner. The café also will be open to theater audiences.

Construction for the parking facility is scheduled to begin in September with occupancy expected in June 2002. Theater construction is expected to begin June 2002, and should be ready to host its first performance in September 2003.

The lower level of the theater will house the New Music Institute and Harry Partch Instrument Collection. Partch was a unique American composer who created original instruments that are one of a kind. Pictured, composer Dean Drummond (right), director of the New Music Institute, and Stefanie Starin, co-director, with some of the instruments in the Partch Collection.

Needs for the new theater

Fostering drama, music and dance, and helping to prepare tomorrow's artists, the new theater will welcome tens of thousands of visitors a year. As an important enhancement of Montclair's cultural life, it will serve the local arts community, attract new audiences and strengthen the municipality's identity as a regional arts center. Below is a sampling of needs for the new theater at many levels. For the complete list or for more information, call the Development Office at 973-655-4344.

Naming Opportunities

Stage and stage fixtures	$1 million
New Music Institute and Partch Instrument Collection	$750,000
Outdoor arcaded loggia	$500,000
Lobby and reception venue	$500,000
Rehearsal hall	$250,000
Guest artist suite	$100,000
Performers' dressing room	$ 50,000
Wardrobe room	$ 25,000

Other Giving Opportunities

(Gifts at these levels will be recognized with a plaque)

Founding patrons	$ 25,000
Supporting patrons	$ 20,000
Contributing patrons	$ 15,000
Participating patrons	$ 10,000
Theater manager's office	$ 20,000
Star dressing rooms (three)	each $ 10,000
Seating section	$ 5,000
Row of seating	$ 3,000
Individual orchestra seats	$ 1,000

Spanning the University

CAMPUS NEWS

Center for Adult Learning focuses on older students

Montclair State University has answered the call to better serve the needs of older undergraduate students by establishing the Center for Adult Learning.

The Center, which combines the services previously provided by Weekend College and the Second Careers Program, is a valuable resource to adult students, starting with the admission process.

"The Center provides a more appropriate front door for adults 25 and older who want to earn a bachelor's degree," said Center Director Ricardo Ortegon. "Applicants will not have to take the SAT if they haven't already, and we will be taking lifelong experience as well as previous academic performance into account."

To apply through the Center, adults must be 25 or older and have been out of school for at least two years.

The Center focuses on accommodating the special needs of adult students by offering a re-entry seminar, flexible class scheduling, an opportunity to earn advanced credits for life experiences, tutoring and counseling, special interest programs on issues of concern to adult students, and an orientation program for students and their families.

"I think people will find that through the Center for Adult Learning, Montclair State recognizes and addresses the unique challenges of the adult student," Ortegon said. "We look forward to providing better and more complete services than we have been able to provide in the past."

Laraja Foundation gift to help renovate Studio Theatre

Thanks to a lead grant from the Laraja Foundation, Inc. of Upper Montclair, Montclair State University has announced a fund-raising campaign to renovate Studio Theatre and rename it the L. Howard Fox Theatre in honor of the long-time MSU educator and artistic leader.

Dr. L. Howard Fox served the University for 33 years as faculty member, founding chair of the Department of Speech and Theatre and director of graduate studies. He was also the consulting designer for both Studio Theatre and Memorial Auditorium. To honor his countless contributions, the University's Board of Trustees unanimously voted to rename Studio Theatre.

Along with support from the Laraja Foundation, gifts received from alumni and friends will help replace the seating, carpeting and flooring, purchase and install new lighting and sound equipment, and rewire the electrical system.

Additional funding is being sought to cover the costs of installing a marquee and renovating the lobby area.

The Laraja Foundation provides support to arts and culture, health organizations, education and community funding. A generous supporter of the University, the Foundation was a major contributor to Montclair State's Capital Campaign and provides scholarship support to undergraduate students in MSU's School of Business. For additional information on the L. Howard Fox Theatre project, or to make a donation, contact the Development Office at 973-655-4344.

A group of New Jersey state legislators were on campus in December to meet with MSU President Susan A. Cole and tour campus facilities, including the DNA Sequencing Laboratory in Science Hall. Pictured, Cole (left) and Tom Giblin (right), chairman of the Democratic State Party, check out the lab's equipment while Assemblyman Gerald Zecker, Dist. 34 (back left), and MSU students and legislative staffers look on. The group also toured the new computer lab in the Student Center, and the Yogi Berra Museum and Learning Center.

MSU recognized by *Hispanic Outlook*

For the fourth consecutive year, Montclair State has been named an educational leader by *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education* magazine. The University was selected as a "Publisher's Pick," and cited as a university that attracts, inspires and empowers Hispanic students, including those who "set a new family standard and launch a new set of dreams."

Montclair State also was selected for the third time as one of the Top 100 Schools graduating Hispanics nationally.

"We pride ourselves on the diversity of our university community," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "We are passionate in our commitment to provide the best education to an inclusive, multicultural student population. We are extremely pleased to be honored by this important magazine and recognize it as a wonderful validation of the success of our broad-based educational mission."

Jose Lopez-Isa, publisher of *Hispanic Outlook*, said 7,000 high school guidance counselors nationally receive the magazine's "Publisher's Pick" issue.

Students go live from DuMont Television Center

For the first time, a live news show was broadcast from the DuMont Television Center. Three episodes of "Inside MSU," a 20-minute news show about Montclair State issues, were broadcast this semester by students in Jeff Friedman's electronic journalism class. The show was broadcast through the University's new cable system and could be seen at 7 p.m. on channel 31 in any building on campus.

"This was a groundbreaking event," said Friedman, a 1978 alumnus who is the Newark station manager and an executive producer at New Jersey Network. "It's the first time anything has been broadcast live from the DuMont TV Center."

The 14 students in Friedman's class worked on designing all aspects of the show culminating with the three live broadcasts. "The students designed the entire format from script to screen," said Friedman, who has been teaching broadcasting courses at Montclair State for seven years. "They did it all from soup to nuts. It was less like a class and more like a newsroom operation. It was truly a news team effort."

In addition to two taped feature segments, each episode included an in-studio University guest—Bill Berlin of Political Science, Vice President Karen Pennington of Student Development and Campus Life, and Jaclyn Friedman-Lombardo of Counseling and Psychological Services. The topics of the feature segments included the presidential election, the Clove Road party policy, arming campus police, the MSU hockey team, the controversial gas pipeline and a spotlight on wrestler Florian Ghinea.

"Each episode was flawless," said Friedman, who has won several Emmy Awards for his work. "These students were fabulous. I was very impressed."

Students awarded MAC Fellowships

Six Montclair State students have been awarded $2,000 fellowships from the Minority Academic Careers (MAC) Program for the upcoming year. They are Jason Allen, Jennifer Carrillo, Nancy Cornejo, Kenyada Mitchell, Elizabeth Trivino and Rob Williams.

The MAC Undergraduate Fellowship Program is a statewide initiative to encourage talented minority students to consider college teaching as a profession and to increase the number of minority faculty members on New Jersey college and university campuses.

In addition to the fellowship, each student receives up to $500 in travel expenses to attend a professional conference. Students spend one semester working with a faculty mentor on research and another semester working as the faculty mentor's teaching assistant. The faculty mentors, who receive $1,000 each from the program, also will help the students apply for graduate school admission.

To be eligible for the MAC program, students must be full-time juniors, maintain a B average, and be interested in a college teaching career.

New minor that studies the mind attracts students from many majors

What is consciousness? How does intelligence originate? What is the relationship between mind and brain? These may have been questions only psychology majors would have contemplated before the new minor in cognitive science came about.

David Townsend of the Psychology Department, one of the faculty members instrumental in getting the minor approved, describes cognitive science as bridging the gap between computer science and humanities and social sciences. It is the first interdisciplinary program involving the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and the College of Science and Mathematics.

The 20-credit program uses methods in psychology, computer science, linguistics, philosophy and communication sciences "to examine how the mind carries out intelligent behaviors, such as reasoning, planning, creating and more," Townsend said. "The minor exposes students to several approaches to the study of the mind."

While the minor was in the development stage, 219 students in computer science, linguistics, philosophy and psychology were surveyed to gauge their interest in a cognitive science minor. According to the results, nearly 25 percent indicated they would minor in cognitive science, with 31 percent of psychology majors saying they would take the minor.

Dorothy Deremer of the Computer Science Department also worked on getting the minor approved. "This is an exciting opportunity for our students," she said. "It will introduce computer science majors to the area of human computer interaction, and will give students from other departments the chance to gain experience in computer science."

Students who minor in cognitive science must take three required psychology courses and three advanced elective courses from outside their major. The electives must be from at least two departments.

Students can now apply online

Prospective students can now apply to Montclair State online from any Internet-linked computer. The service is made possible through Embark.com. To date, Undergraduate Admissions has received more than 800 online applications, according to Director Al Buechler.

"As we enter the 21st century and students become more computer savvy, it is critical for universities to provide them with opportunities to access their services via Internet," he said.

Although Montclair State's application went online last year, applicants had to download the form, fill it out and mail it. According to Buechler, approximately 20 percent of this year's freshman class of more than 1,200 used the online application. Now that the application process is completely online, Buechler expects a significant increase in total applicants.

"Now it's simply a matter of answering the questions on the computer and sending it," he said. Prospective students can access the application from Montclair State's home page or directly through Embark.com.

Founded in 1995, Embark.com helps students identify and apply to the right college or graduate program; provides high schools with an effective tool to guide students through the career and college planning process; and streamlines the application and enrollment process for institutions of higher learning.

The Graduate School also expects the online application to reach a broader range of students. "We anticipate that more international students will take advantage of applying online," said Carla Narrett, dean of the Graduate School.

Spanning the University

Marlies Yearby choreographs piece for "Works-a-Foot"

Marlies Yearby, whose choreography for "Rent" on Broadway earned her a Tony Award nomination, choreographed a new work to be presented by Montclair State students during "Works-a-Foot."

Yearby has toured internationally with Urban Bush Women and won a Bessie Award for her choreography for "Stained," by writer Lisa Jones and Alva Rogers.

She recently moved to Montclair and was in residence at MSU for three weeks this fall working with dance students. Yearby's choreography has included explorations with text, voice and live music, resulting in her signature technique. Her work creates a vocabulary that defines identity, re-examines aesthetic values and increases socio-political awareness. Yearby's choreography has been commissioned by Lincoln Center, the American Dance Festival, Jacob's Pillow, the American Musical Theater Festival and other leading arts institutions.

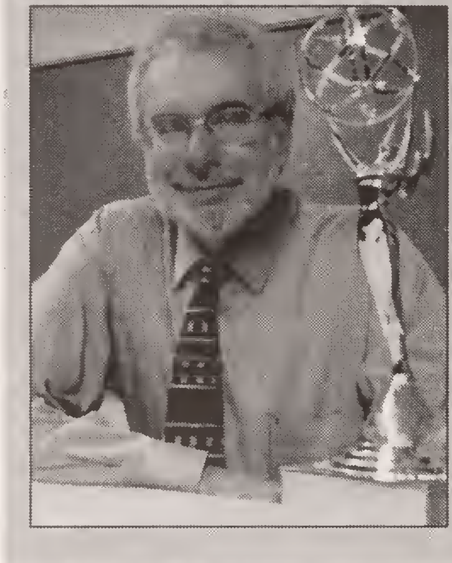
In addition to performing the dance at "Works-a-Foot," the students are expected to perform the piece at the American College Dance Festival and "Danceworks 2001" this spring.

MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE HALL

The Women's Club of Upper Montclair issued a special 2000 College Hall ornament for the holiday season. The metal ornament is the seventh made by the Club as part of its limited annual Montclair Ornament Series.

Professor wins Emmy

The running joke in Bill Berlin's house is that he's the Susan Lucci of public television. Although nominated for several Emmys as senior producer of New Jersey Network's "Caucus: New Jersey," his name was never pulled from the envelope—until this year. Berlin, a professor in the Political Science Department, was finally called to the stage to accept that gold statue that had eluded him for 15 years. But he wasn't there to accept it. Berlin didn't think he was going to win, so he stayed home this year, which has probably given his family enough ammunition to begin a whole new running joke.



The MidAtlantic Regional Emmy that Berlin won was for his work on "Alzheimer's—What You Should Know, What You Can Do," an episode from "Caucus: New Jersey's" Healthy Living Series.

"I look upon this as a lifetime achievement award," Berlin joked as he clutched the Emmy. He laughs because that's really not why the political science professor finds working on the program fulfilling. "For me this is an extension of teaching. We try to create situations so the viewers will learn something, so it's gratifying to produce a program and feel that people have learned from it."

Second graduation planned for students finishing in August

There will be two 2001 commencement ceremonies this year. An additional graduation ceremony will be held Wednesday, Sept. 14, to accommodate students who complete their degree requirements in the summer.

The additional ceremony will be a one-time event, and not repeated in following years. Students completing their degree requirements in subsequent summers will be eligible to participate in the May commencement the following year.

The additional ceremony was scheduled because the recent change in the graduation procedure, limiting participation in the May commencement to students who have fully completed their course of study prior to commencement, was made after students had already planned to complete portions of their program in the summer.

"A number of students indicated that there was not enough time and flexibility to schedule their work prior to the May 2001 ceremony," Provost Richard Lynde said. "In response to their requests for relief, the University decided to hold a commencement ceremony in September for those students whose degree will be conferred in August 2001."

The event, tentatively scheduled for the afternoon, will be held either in Memorial Auditorium or in the Student Center Quad, according to Karen Pennington, vice president for Student Development and Campus Life.

Students planning to complete their programs in the summer of 2002 now have a minimum of four semesters (spring, summer and fall 2001, and spring 2002) to adjust their programs so that they can complete them by May 2002. Students completing their programs after the summer of 2002 now have ample time to arrange their programs so that they can comply with the new commencement guidelines.

State approves P-3 certification programs

Montclair State has received state approval to offer three preschool through third grade (P-3) teaching certification programs.

The University has a 35-year history of teaching early childhood education, and graduates approximately 90 students a year in this field. "New Jersey recently upgraded its standards," said Joanne Coté-Bonanno of

Human Ecology. "With these new programs, Montclair State has answered the call of the governor to assist the Abbott districts by preparing teachers for the P-3 certification." Abbott districts are those identified by the state to receive additional funding for special school programs.

To date, certification requirements for early childhood education have included preschool through eighth grade. "With recent psychological findings of the importance of children's preschool years, New Jersey's certification requirements are being divided into more specific classifications adhering to the developmental issues of young children," said Coté-Bonanno.

The three programs include certification for undergraduates; a post-baccalaureate certification for those who already hold a bachelor's degree; and an M.A.T. program for students who want a master's degree at the P-3 certification.

As of now, only teachers in the Abbott school districts can enroll in the P-3 certification program. Coté-Bonanno said she hopes all three programs will be open to all students by September.

ALUMNI NEWS

MSUAA offers scholarship

Do you have a future Montclair State student in your family? The Montclair State University Alumni Association's Legacy Scholarship gives a full-year's tuition to an incoming freshman who is the child or grandchild of an active alumnus/a. Information for the fall of 2002 is available in the Admissions Viewbook and in the Alumni Office.

Washington, D.C. alumni make plans

Washington, D.C. alumni are gearing up to become a formalized group. Last fall several alumni met in the U.S. Capitol Building to begin plans for a formal area alumni group in our nation's capital. Headed by alumnus Keith Roachford '87, the group brainstormed plans for future activities. Also in attendance were Edward Cincinnati '76, Leo Greco '52, George May '68, Constance Kinder '93 and Michele Harris '72. At the top of the list of ideas is creating a mentoring program for MSU students.

The group will conduct a survey of Washington metropolitan area alumni to see which activities interest them. If you would like to get involved with this new alumni group, please contact Roachford at kroachford@hotmail.com or the Alumni Office.

University hosts 15th annual Golf Classic

Get your golf clubs ready and come out to play on one of the newest golf courses in New Jersey. On Monday, Sept. 17, the University will host its 15th Annual MSU Golf Classic at the Sky View Golf Club in Sparta. The Sky View Golf Club, which opened its doors last July, is a semi-private 190-acre facility featuring 18 holes of golf and breathtaking views. The cost per player is $175, which includes greens fees, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Sponsorships and donations are also available. All money raised will benefit MSU Athletics.

We strongly encourage former athletes to participate in the Classic. The sport that has the most participating alumni will receive a bonus portion of the proceeds.

To register, call Keith Phillips at 973-746-0417 or e-mail him at phillipsk@mail.montclair.edu.

Calling all veterans

In June, MSU will honor all graduates who served in the armed forces. Your alma mater wants to honor the contribution you made to your country with a reception. If you are a veteran we'd like to put you on our invitation list. Please call or write the Alumni Office including your name, address, telephone number and graduation year. If you would like to serve on the planning committee for this event, call Marla Grundt-Rosenthal, director of Alumni Relations, in the Alumni Office. Veterans from all armed forces and all years are encouraged to participate.

Alumni Directory phone calls

Representatives of Harris Publishing Company will be calling alumni to verify information for the new Alumni Directory. The data, which was obtained from the questionnaire recently sent to alumni, will be used exclusively for publication in the directory. Harris will be calling all alumni, including those who did not return the questionnaire, in an effort to get the most current information. Ask the Harris representative about reserving your personal copy.

Association Executive Board slate of nominations

The annual meeting of the MSU Alumni Association will be held during Alumni Weekend, Saturday, May 5. In accordance with the MSUAA bylaws, Article VII, balloting for officers and other members shall be by mail. All active members (those who have contributed to the Annual Fund since July 1, 2000) are eligible to vote. Officers of the Association are elected for a two-year term. Members at large are elected for a three-year term.

Please complete the following ballot and return it to the MSU Alumni Association, Montclair State University, 34 Normal Avenue, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Ballots must be postmarked by April 27.

OFFICERS:
- ☐ *Vice President Membership and Programming*, Pat Ackershoek '71
- ☐ *Secretary*, Frank Alvarez '76
- ☐ *Assistant Treasurer*, M. Elaine Yaccarino '88, '92 M.A.

MEMBERS AT LARGE:
- ☐ James Andreano '74
- ☐ Flo Felano '53, '72 M.A.
- ☐ Cecily Morgan '98
- ☐ Lee Primiano '60
- ☐ Maria Schantz '60 M.A.
- ☐ James Spry '54
- ☐ Elizabeth Voltman '97
- ☐ David Wertheim '79

☐ Check here to vote for this entire slate.

☐ Write-in vote ______________________________

Name: ______________________________ Graduation Year: ________

Signature: ______________________________

Spanning the University

Alumnae present portrait of department founder

Elaine Flint, chair of the Human Ecology Department; Joan Woodman '60; Clair Babbit '59; and Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, display the portrait of Katharine Hall.

Two alumnae recently returned to campus to present the Human Ecology Department with a portrait of the department's founder, Katharine Hall.

Hall, who passed away five years ago, established the Home Economics Department in 1955 and served as its chair until her retirement in 1986. After retiring, Hall became director of accreditation for the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. "She was always active on the national level and kept a pulse on what was happening in the field," said Elaine Flint, chair of Human Ecology for the past 12 years. "She kept the department moving forward."

Joan Woodman '60 and Clair Babbit '59, who made the presentation, are members of the Home Economics Alumni Group that was established in 1984. The portrait was originally given to Hall during a group reunion. When she passed away, the portrait was returned to Woodman, who served as the Alumni Group's first president. "Hall was a great lady who inspired us to do our best," she said. "She set high standards and expected her students to live up to the them. She was a true mentor and a wonderful person."

Flint said the portrait, which hangs in the department's entranceway in Finley Hall, is an appropriate "recognition of Hall's significant contributions to the department and Montclair State. It's also a testament to the contributions of women at a time when there were few women department chairs."

The department has grown significantly since it was established by Hall. Today, more than 680 students major in human ecology and concentrate in one of 10 areas: home economics education (which Hall started), early childhood education, family child applied, child life specialist, dietetics, food and nutrition, food technology, food service management, fashion studies and consumer affairs.

"Montclair State is the only college or university in the state to offer a comprehensive family and consumer science program," Flint said. "And it all began thanks to the efforts of Katharine Hall."

Corrections to Honor Roll

The last issue of *Alumni Life* included the Honor Roll of Donors. The following names were inadvertently omitted from the list. The Alumni Association and the University greatly appreciate the generosity of these donors, and we apologize for the oversight.

Bell Tower Club
($500-$999)
Ruth Heys Gardner

Century Club
($100-$249)
Doris L. Heise
Mary Thieleke
Karen M. Peluso
Jacoba Wiedmann Maas
Anne Kobryn Teuscher

Bylaw changes

In accordance with Article XII, section 1 of the Alumni Association bylaws, proposed amendments must be published either in the alumni publication or by special notice. The following changes and additions have been proposed. Members will vote on the changes at the annual luncheon during Alumni Weekend. A full text of the bylaws is available by calling 973-655-4141.

ARTICLE III: MEMBERSHIP
To be deleted (previously removed from the by-laws informally)
SECTION 2

D. College Seniors – Shall have the right of joining this association for one year, as a group, for a group contribution to be agreed upon by the class officers and the Alumni Executive Board.

ARTICLE IV: PRIVILEGES OF MEMBERS
To be deleted
SECTION 3—The Panzer Alumni
A. The organization of Panzer Alumni shall be known as Panzer Alumni, Montclair State College.

B. The Montclair State College Alumni Association shall encourage and sponsor the activities of the Panzer Alumni as an integral part of its organization and shall extend practical assistance and facilities to encourage close cooperation and service.

C. The Panzer Alumni shall have the right to promote programs of special interest in the area of Health and Physical Education and to assist the Montclair State College Alumni Association in projects for the good and welfare of the college.

D. The Panzer Alumni shall have the right to collect donations for special projects and bill their membership. This does not preclude the regular billing program of the Montclair State College Alumni Association to all Panzer Alumni. Donations made to or through the Panzer Alumni shall constitute active membership in the Montclair State College Alumni Association as defined in Article III, Section 2A.

E. The Panzer Alumni shall reimburse the Montclair State College Alumni Association for services rendered. Such charges will be determined by the Executive Board of Montclair State College Alumni Association.

F. Four members of the Panzer Alumni shall serve on the Executive Board of this Association. Such members shall be determined by the Panzer Alumni. Their terms of office shall be subject to the same limitations as described for regular members of the Board in Article VII, Section 3.

G. The Panzer Alumni shall maintain complete books and records subject to audit by the Montclair State College Alumni Association. The Panzer Alumni shall be responsible for the financial obligations made under its own name and coordinates with the Montclair State College Alumni Association and the administration of Montclair State College in all matters of fund raising.

ARTICLE VI: OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD

ARTICLE VIII: MEETINGS

Change as per bold

SECTION 2

A special meeting of the Association, other than the stated meetings, may be called by the President at **(strike "his") the President's** discretion provided that every active member of the Association is notified at least ten days in advance of any such meeting as to the time, place, and purpose of such meeting. Notice shall be by mail or notice in a publication of general circulation. A quorum at a special meeting shall be those present, if the meeting is duly called.

Arizona alumni gather

Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, met with alumni at a dinner reception in Mesa, Ariz. last fall. Twenty-five alumni met at the Landmark Restaurant to learn first hand about the exciting initiatives taking place on campus. We would like to thank the wonderful volunteer committee that assisted with the plans: Steven Gutmore '66, Anthony (Tony) Lombardi '48, Pamela Mulhearn '89, Gina Nitti '91, Jason Rosenberg '91, Mary VanDyk '83, and Robert (Bob) Wright '62.

Ruth Friedman '77; Freda Klein '58, '83 M.A.; Rosalind Monahan '60, '77 M.A.; and Mary VanDyk '83

Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement; Sieger (Zig) Kwiatkowski '54, '59 M.A.; Anthony (Tony) Lombardi '48; and Hal Pigusch (husband of alum Debra Pigusch '75)

Calendar of events

May 10: School Superintendent Seminar
Current New Jersey school superintendents who are Montclair State alumni will be invited to attend a seminar created just for them. The program is being organized by MSUAA board member Frank Alvarez.

May 24: Senior Send-Off
This new event will honor graduating seniors and their parents. During the festivities the Alumni Association will induct these new graduates into its ranks.

May 25: 50th Class Breakfast/Commencement
If you graduated in 1951, we encourage you to reserve May 25 for a special 50th class breakfast prior to commencement. After breakfast, transportation will be provided to bring participants to the Continental Airlines Arena where the Class of 1951 will be honored.

June 9: Summer Splash
Bar-A once again will host this annual event for newly graduated alumni. If you earned an undergraduate degree between 1996 and 2001, mark your calendars for a party at the Jersey shore. Watch your mailbox for details.

Oct. 6: Homecoming 2001
At this year's Homecoming you will find many new exciting events and programs. Watch *Alumni Life* for more information as the date gets closer.

For more information about these events, call the Alumni Office at 973-655-4145. For a current listing of events, check the MSU Web site at www.montclair.edu and follow the links to the alumni page.

TheatreFest 2001 season

Main Stage
Debbie Reynolds in Concert. **June 8-10**

"The Presidents" starring Rich Little.
June 14-17, 20-24

Next Stage
"As Bees in Honey Drown." **June 28-July 1, July 5-8**
"Noon Day Sun." **July 12-15, 18-22**
"The Third Person." **July 26-29**

TheatreFest For Kids
"A More Perfect Union." **June 1**
"Peter and the Wolf." **July 20**
"Little Red Riding Hood." **July 27**

For tickets and times, call 973-655-5112.
For group sales, call 973-655-7887.

THAT'S LIFE

Compiled by Kim Metz and Gina Davies.

Send information for "That's Life" to MSU Alumni Relations, "That's Life," 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

33

Mae Allen was featured in *The Sunbeam* for her commitment as a teacher. After 34 years teaching high school English she teaches now from her home.

40

Max Whittman teaches physics and math to children at St. Claire's psychiatric hospital. The 92-year-old says tutoring children in crisis makes him feel young.

47

Stan Wnek '48 M.A., former baseball coach at Montclair, was selected by *The Star-Ledger* as one of the top 10 high school baseball players of the 1930s.

50

June Bell participated in the Avon Breast Cancer Walk. The 72-year-old, whose daughter underwent a mastectomy, raised $5,135 walking from Bear Mountain to Manhattan.

51

Robert Palmeri '52 M.A. was presented with the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal. He served as a radio dispatcher on DC-3 cargo planes in the Pacific during World War II.

52

Barbara Schiffman has been promoted to departmental vice president for Prudential, Roseland, responsible for the information systems supporting Prudential's traditional life products, as well as financial planning, compliance and underwriting systems.

54

Fred Keil was named by *The Record* as one of the three Best High School Coaches of the 20th century in Passaic County.

James R. Andrews

58

James R. Andrews has been elected a National Communication Association (NCA) Distinguished Scholar. This award is the highest recognition for excellence in research given by the NCA. It was presented at the organization's annual conference in Seattle. Andrews' research was spotlighted as part of the conference. He served as chair of the department of Speech and Communication at Indiana University for 15 years.

59

John T. Riordan, president of the International Council of Shopping Centers, was selected to the center's new Office of the President. The Office of the President was formed to oversee effecting strategies focused on the organization's long-term, global future.

60

Madeline Greene was presented with the Extension Educator of the Year award by the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Science. The award is sponsored by Maytag. She is a University of Maryland Cooperative Extension educator in Howard.

62

Sister Angelina Intelisano became acting principal of St. Mary of Mount Virgin School in New Brunswick.

Ginny O'Brien retired from Passaic Valley High School and now lives in Vermont.

63

Barbara A. Ellicott '67 M.A. wrote an editorial, "Protection Against Adverse Effects of Environmental Diet," which appeared in *The National Speech Language Weekly*. She was also listed in *Who's Who* as an honored professional.

Sandy Swagler

65

Sandy Swagler, an English teacher for 35 years, retired from Ocean City High School. She also coordinated the school's Honors Program for 20 years.

66

Dr. Ronald Mazurek was promoted to assistant professor of music at Bergen Community College. He has nearly 20 years of experience teaching music theory, music history, and MIDI technology at levels from undergraduate to doctoral.

Carolyn Petrone Osnato '71 M.A. retired as assistant principal at John F. Kennedy High School in Paterson. She taught biology and chemistry before becoming assistant principal.

Joan Vas '69 M.A., director for mathematics and assessment for the Matawan Regional School District, was inducted to the Matawan Hall of Fame, which recognizes individuals who have contributed to Matawan High School, have credentials of expertise in their field and are considered role models for students.

68

Michael Orfe was appointed chair of the English Department at Voorhees High School in Glen Gardner. He is also the academic director of the summer Institute for the Gifted at Bryn Mawr College.

Patricia Tesman was promoted to senior vice president at Gianettino & Meredith in Short Hills. She previously was vice president/director of public relations.

Barbara Spillane M.A. was chosen for a National Endowment of the Humanities fellowship. She attended a seminar at the University of Nottingham in England, which dealt with the industrial revolution in Britain.

69

John Harold Straub M.A. was granted a membership in Phi Delta Kappa International. He also was awarded a life membership in the Passaic County Education Association.

Lester Anderson was appointed director of The Network Document Solutions Consulting Service of CAP Ventures Inc. He was previously director of Systems Products Marketing Division and System Sales Market Development at Ricoh Corporation, and was an instructor of mathematics and computer science and multi-media in Montclair.

Nadine Udall Fischer was nominated for the 2001 edition of the *National Registry of Who's Who*. She has appeared on national television and the front page of the *Wall Street Journal* as an expert in the field of executive communication. *Who's Who* recognizes corporate achievers of special note from around the country.

70

Michael Hogan was nominated by former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman to serve on the Superior Court.

71

David M. Levine was appointed the first Journalist-in-Residence at Pennsylvania State University. The Pennsylvania Society of Newspaper Editors collaborated with the university's College of Communications to create a new program in reporting and writing.

72

Roberta J. Kuel took the position of associate managing director at the Long Island office of Grubb and Ellis New York, Inc. Her duties will include strategic real estate planning, investment sales, tenant representation and lease negotiations. She worked nearly 14 years in office and industrial brokerage before joining Grubb and Ellis.

73

Maryann Anderson '77 M.A. became a member of the Livingston Board of Education.

George Magdich was named the Apple Distinguished Educator for New Jersey, an award for excellence and leadership in educational technology. He also was re-elected president of the New Jersey Educational Computing Cooperative for a fourth term.

Kathleen Sue Ann Rebisz-Dehn was the first grand marshal of the millennium and led a march through the streets of Garfield and New York City honoring the great Polish-American hero General Pulaski.

Jennifer Berringer presented a one-person show, "Paintings and Works on Paper 1981–2000," at the University of Maryland for its University College Arts Program.

Patricia L. (Stahnke) Higgins is president and CEO of Switch & Data Facilities, which operates an international network of strategically located, carrier-neutral, telco-grade convergent network centers.

74

Heather Jones is a first grade teacher at Harrison School in Essex County. She had been working as a second grade substitute teacher.

Maria Priadka has directed the Maria Priadka School of Dance in South Orange for 26 years. This year the school will be open to both boys and girls age 3 to adult.

Dennis Testa was promoted to assistant professor in the English Department at Bergen Community College. He has lectured at the college since 1998.

75

David Walling has been named principal at Manchester Township High School. He previously served as vice principal.

Ellyn A. McColgan was elected to the Board of Directors of Decision Resources Inc., a pharmaceutical research and consulting firm. In June she became president of Fidelity Investments Institutional Retirement Group, which includes Fidelity Investments Tax-Exempt Services Company and Fidelity Management Trust Company. She is also a member of the operating committee of Fidelity Investments.

76

Tom Malia joined GAB Robins as its New York City branch manager for the Insurance Company Services Division. He came to the position after serving as vice president of claims at William H. McGee & Co.

Jim McAleer celebrated his 17th year as business administrator/Board of Education secretary for the Cedar Grove School District.

Mario A. Paparozzi was appointed by former Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, and confirmed by the Senate, as the new chief of the state parole board.

78

Marianne Majewski became executive director of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Metuchen. She was chosen by her predecessor, Sister Florence Edward Kerney.

Carol Blazejowski was promoted to senior vice president and general manager of the New York Liberty basketball franchise. She oversees all team business operations, marketing, public relations and community relations.

79

Chris Van Der Stad has been appointed fund-raising chairperson for The United Way of

Central Jersey. He is president and chief financial officer of New Millennium Bank.

Claude Buchman joined the Hackettstown Middle School staff as supervisor of the social studies, family and consumer science, and world language programs.

Vivian Olshen exhibited her work at the Arts Council of Livingston and Livingston Arts Association's second annual "Art at the Oval."

80

Glenn Tynan was appointed corporate controller at the Curtis Wright Corporation of Lyndhurst.

Marie Dreher was named senior vice president and chief financial officer at Millennium Inorganic Chemicals. She maintains membership in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New Jersey Society of Public Accountants.

Lance Sorchik, art teacher and professional artist, designed a hotrod T-shirt and a custom UPS truck for the company, and designed six cartoon hotrods for Rod Aromas, a company that makes air fresheners. He also was commissioned by the lead singer of ZZ Top to paint portraits of his world-famous cars.

81

Tom Angley was appointed senior vice president of reinsurance at Zurich Global Energy.

82

Douglas J. Bansbach was appointed as one of three new partners at Jacobson, Goldfarb & Tanzman Co. LLC., a commercial real estate firm.

Babara Bonilla-Burnett and Susan Boyle-Smith

Barbara Bonilla-Burnett was voted Teacher of the Year for her work at Toms River High School East.

Susan Boyle-Smith won Teacher of the Year from Brick Memorial High School in Brick.

Barbara A. Pinelli-McDonough was awarded an "I'm Just a Bill" grant from the Woodbridge Township Education Foundation to teach children how a bill becomes a law.

84

Vincent P. Endres was the recipient of the Sarnoff Corporation's President's Award. He was recognized for his entrepreneurial drive and leadership in generating new business endeavors.

David Press was promoted to lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army.

Thomas Lavosky

Thomas Lavosky has received certification in the McKenzie Spine Care Method of Manual Diagnosis and Therapy.

85

Richard Cimino was named principal at Central Middle School in Bernardsville.

86

Kimberly Jones is the new recreation director in Hillsdale. A former aquatics director at the West Essex YMCA in Livingston, she has 14 years' experience in community recreation through Girls Scouts of America, Boys and Girls Clubs of America, YMCAs and municipal recreation.

Dennis J. Mudrick '94 M.A. has been appointed principal of Vernon Township High School.

Christine Piano was promoted to vice president and chief financial officer at Clifton Savings Bank.

Carol Weissmann was named to Weichert Realtors 100 Sales Club, a career achievement award. Weissmann, who has 12 years' experience in the real estate industry, works in Weichert's Fair Lawn office.

87

Donna Perretta was promoted to corporate director of Preferred Alliances & Revenue Enhancement for the hotel division of the Cendant organization. She was engaged in June to George Cowan.

88

Brian Sheil, actor, comic and musician, performed at Caroline's in Manhattan, the Improv and the Comedy Store in Los Angeles. He has also appeared on "Days of Our Lives" and "One Life to Live."

Anthony LaGruth was appointed the new music director for the Garden State Philharmonic Orchestra.

89

Rob Chesney, Montclair State's longest-tenured soccer coach, has taken the team to post season play for the past nine years. He has taken the Red Hawks to compete nationally and internationally and built an upper-tier soccer program.

JoAnne Penn '89 M.A. has been elected president of the New Jersey State Nurses Association.

90

Anthony Ingenito has been chosen by the Ho-Ho-Kus Board of Education as the new principal of the Ho-Ho-Kus Public School. While serving as elementary school principal in Wanaque, he established the Students Against Violent Episodes program and a Peer

Leadership Program that deals with students' social and emotional needs.

William Gorcica M.A., a specialist in multimedia art and Web site design, received a 2000 Bush Artist Fellowship in the three-dimensional category.

Sari Cottler is a production coordinator for Bloomberg Personal Finance's newsstand financial publication magazine.

93

Lance Tarazona was appointed operations manager of the Battery Sales Group for Panasonic.

94

Joseph Blondo won a contest sponsored by the Department of Defense with his essay, "Why I Want to Spend a Day on an Aircraft Carrier." Blondo won five days in the Navy including time aboard the aircraft carrier, U.S.S. Enterprise.

95

Joseph McAuliffe, president of Training Systems Inc. in Tinton Falls and certified strength and conditioning specialist, was credited with having helped weight lifter Catherine Hanlon condition herself to lift 260 pounds, more than double her body weight. He also won the New Jersey power lifting championship with a lift of 560 pounds.

Father Arthur Humphrey '95 M.A. was appointed pastor of St. Francis Xavier Parish in Newark.

97

Sam Zitter has written two books in his retirement: *Stars to Steer By* and *Second Self*. He also rallied together friends and raised $15,000 for the United Way.

Diana Starace-Nastasi, working through Global Volunteers, a non-profit organization, spent a week as a volunteer at Rosebud Indian Reservation. She assisted in renovations and improvements on the reservation. She is a teacher in Hackensack and an adjunct professor at Montclair State.

Ann Parsons was hired by the New Providence School District as a learning disabled teacher-consultant.

Sophia S. Anastasia prepared Leah Sameth for her first flute recital at Montclair State University.

98

Melissa Berry was promoted to senior accountant at Sobel & Co., LLC, and has passed her CPA exam.

Chris Mazzuchetti finished in second place in the New Jersey Golf Association Open. He shot a 1-under 69 and earned $10,000.

Bernie Matten danced in a documentary film for the Mental Health Association, *Moving Forward*. She also has choreographed for Montclair State University and Millburn High School.

Keith Glauber was promoted to the Cincinnati Reds' top affiliate in Louisville. He struck out three and gave up one run during his first two appearances as a relief pitcher for the Riverbats.

99

Kenneth Bagner passed his CPA exam and was promoted to semi-senior accountant with Sobel & Co., LLC.

Robert P. Mataranglo painted a 115-by-15-foot mural of a summer beach scene on the side of the Family Pharmacy on Brighton Avenue in Long Branch.

00

Amy LaPosa won a part in Lerner and Loewe's "Brigadoon," produced by the Westfield Young Arts Cooperative Theatre and the New Jersey Performing Arts Center's Summer Youth Performance Workshop.

Bonnie Hutch was selected to serve as interim band director at Mount Olive High School.

Juan Cruz is a social studies teacher in Parsippany's Central Middle School.

Erika Menateaux is an English teacher at Saddle Brook High School.

Alumnus directs 'Fiddler on the Roof'

When the curtain went up on Theatre and Dance's production of "Fiddler on the Roof" this fall, it wasn't the story, music and dancing alone that captivated the audience. According to the director, alumnus Tim Herman '86, '91 M.A., it was the believability of the cast's role as family and community that was so impressive.

"I liked working on 'Fiddler' because it required a large cast—31 people. So I used a lot of Theatre and Dance students," Herman explained. "They worked well together and we built a family atmosphere."

Herman returned to campus to direct this musical as a recipient of the L. Howard Fox Alumni Award. A 33-year faculty member, Fox was the founding chair of Speech and Theatre. He died in 1996.

Established by the family and friends of Fox through the Alumni Association, the award provides funding for Theatre and Dance to hire a professional alumni director or choreographer for a production.

Herman received the award on Alumni Night on Nov. 17 during a reception after the perfomance. At the reception, the University officially announced a fund-raising campaign to renovate Studio Theatre and rename it the L. Howard Fox Theatre, thanks to a lead grant from the Laraja Foundation, along with the support of alumni and friends of the University.

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THEN AND NOW

Alumni Weekend 2001

9:30-11 a.m.
50+Coffee
Student Center Cafeteria
Join fellow alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. There will be plenty of time to renew old friendships and share memories of the early days at MSC, MSTC and the Normal School at this special gathering. Be sure to bring photos of your Montclair days and your yearbook.

11a.m.-noon
Alumni Association Annual Meeting
Student Center Cafeteria
Attend the annual meeting of the MSUAA. The annual treasurer's report and program review will take place as well as induction of new officers and board members. We encourage you to become involved.

12:30-2:30 p.m.
Alumni Association Luncheon
Student Center Ballrooms
The luncheon program will include presentation of Alumni Citation Awards and recognition of retiring faculty. Special tribute will be paid to reunion classes. This is a special chance for classmates to mingle.

2:30 p.m.
Campus Tour and Amphitheater Restoration Kick-Off
See what's new and what's remained the same as you tour the campus on the MSU shuttle bus or go on a shopping spree at the University Bookstore. Then join us as we formally kick off the Amphitheater Restoration Project with an event that's sure to bring back special memories.

Class Reunion Cocktail Party and Dinner Dance
Student Center
This is the time for all classes ending in 1 or 6 and graduates from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences to renew old friendships and reminisce. You are celebrating a milestone event, and it is our pleasure to invite you for what promises to be a memorable evening of fun and nostalgia.

Cocktail Hour with Open Bar
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Student Center Cafeteria

Dinner Dance
7:30-11:30 p.m.
Student Center Ballrooms
Enjoy dinner and dancing with friends. A cash bar will be available throughout the evening. A sumptuous meal is planned.

Yes, I want to join the celebration at Alumni Weekend, May 5, 2001

___ Reservations for 50+ Coffee Club (Alumni who graduated 1951 and before)	No charge
___ Reservations for Alumni Luncheon* (Alumni who graduated 1951 and before)	$17 per person $12 per person
___ Reservations for Reunion Dinner Dance*	$50 per person

Please indicate your choice of dinner entree:

___Filet Mignon ___Salmon ___Chicken

**For the luncheon or the dinner please indicate special dietary needs. We will be happy to accommodate you.*

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______Reservations for the Alumni Luncheon at $17______at $12______

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Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

A Panzer graduate was kind enough to send a newspaper clipping about **Sue Nutes Ritz '25**. At age 95, Sue volunteers at the Herr Adult Medical Day Care Center where she leads a choral group in sing-alongs with the energy, vitality and exuberance that has been her trademark. Her vibrance belies the fact that she is older than everyone in the chorus and nearly everyone in the audience. You are remarkable, Sue.

Sisters-in-law **Mickey Birilli Walsh '56** and **Pat Walsh '57** shared a terrific trip together with a church group. Their travels to Austria and Hungary led them on adventures to the church where the Von Trapps were married, and the graveyard where a scene was shot for the "Sound of Music." They also visited a gypsy restaurant, the Lipizan Horse stud farm and a working farm in Hungary. On another note, Pat made the big move to Florida. There goes another Jerseyan looking to escape the cold and keep dem bones warm. We wish you well.

Not believing 2000 was the real millennium, **Lois Madden Kelly '56** celebrated the incoming 2001 in the Netherlands with friends who like to party.

Luciann Keczmerski Slomkowski '57 and husband, Ed, are jumping into retirement. This year a cruise took them to Europe, Asia and Africa. Some ports of call were Dublin, Malaga, Granada, Monte Carlo, Sicily, Rome, Haifa, Athens and many others. Along the way they met up with friends who made the trip even more enriching.

Joe Bayer '59, who lives in Brielle and taught 25 years in Maplewood and eight years in Newark, is enjoying the good life. Joe keeps busy with the Manasquan Fishing Club, the Over the Rail Gang and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Joe would love to hear from friends. Drop him a note at 2bears@usamailbox.com.

This summer **Lois Sax Mancuso '63** and two other former Montclair State cheerleaders— **P.K. Lawson Lynch '62** and **Joan Topar Scanlan '62**—met in Utah for a reunion at Joan's home in Park City. They reminisced about the good ol' days at MSC and how Dr. Hazel Wacker played an important part in their lives. A highlight of the visit was when they donned the red shorts and white shirts and cheered the "My Girl's a Hallaballoo" at the Robert Redford Sundance Lodge. Need I say it was received with laughs and a great ovation?

Joe Mazza '63 is enjoying his retirement along with his wife **Jan**, adjunct professor '95-'96. Joe taught health and physical education at Passaic Valley High School in Little Falls for 32 years. He was also the soccer and track coach. Together, they are enjoying golf, fishing and visiting with their three grandchildren.

Terry Sedloch Skjold '78 has returned to teaching after being an at-home mom for her three children for 12 years. Word has it that classmate **Sharon Couch DiLonado '78** encouraged Terry to sign up for the driver education course with the late Dr. A.C. Coder. It was that certification that led to Terry's teaching driver education as well as physical education and health at the Immaculate Heart Academy in Washington Township for the past two years. Welcome back Terry.

Please continue to send your news for Panzer Notes to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail idkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Panzer Notes" in the subject line. I have received many requests to hear about the classes of '52, '53 and '58, so if you're from one of these classes, drop me a line.

In Memoriam

Mary Milano Russomanno '29
Victor R. Palven '41
Tommy Thomas '47
Jeanne Frazier Thomas '44
Grace Maffey '50

ENGAGEMENTS

Sari Cottler '90 to Adam Farhi

Scott Skrabonia '94 to **Kimberly Swenson '99**

Mark J. Mitrenga '90 to Theresa Nimmer

Daniel J. Garret '96 to **Tammy M. Wenner '97**

Robert J. Gregory '99 to **Jennifer L. Palumbo '99**

MARRIAGES

Kelly A. Brooman '89 and **John C. Rossetto '88** on Oct. 29, 1999.

Alicia Ann Fuzy '97 and Valentino Scipioni on July 15, 2000

Pauline Apgar '50 and James Ajamian on May 26, 2000

Eileen Doris Wurst '97 M.A. and Robert Alan Doan on July 23, 2000

Michelle A. Surritte '90 and Mark Nelson on Nov. 18, 2000

BIRTHS

To **Laura Cohen Baker '88** and her husband, Paul Baker, a boy, Joshua Solomon Baker, born March 8, 2000

To **Angela R. Arabia-Meyer '98 M.A.** and her husband, **Edward P. Arabia-Meyer '99**, a boy, Dakota Jakob Noah, born Sept. 5, 2000

IN MEMORIAM

Beatrice R. Block '23
Elizabeth C. Hardy '24
Hyman Krakower '28
Greta Spriggs '29
Margaret Franklin '31
Ruth K. Berger '33
Helen Merselis Chiocca '34
William A.F. Braem '37
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Anthony J. Verlangieri '68 M.A.
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Carolyn Mautner '94
Winsom W. Brown-Lennon '96
Mariela Perez '98
Leonard Umstead '99

Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks fared in the fall. For a schedule of upcoming athletic events, call 973-746-6248.

Football

The Red Hawks clinched their second straight New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) title and 16th overall following a 17-13 win over Rowan on Nov. 11. The team also earned its first back-to-back National Collegiate Athletic Association berths (and sixth overall) since 1985-1986, finishing 7-3-0 (6-0 NJAC). Junior quarterback Ed Collins set new single-season MSU records by completing 231 of 414 passes, good for 2,866 yards and 16 touchdowns. Montclair State also had 16 players on the NJAC All-Conference Team, with Collins earning Offensive Player of the Year, senior lineman Kevin Kelly garnering Defensive Player of the Year and Rick Giancola being named NJAC Coach of the Year for the second straight season.

Men's Soccer

Seventh-seeded MSU extended Richard Stockton College to four overtimes before succumbing, 1-0, in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Metro Championship. Montclair State (12-8-3) had advanced to the title game with successive 1-0 road victories over St. Joseph's (N.Y.) and New Jersey City University. It marked the Red Hawks' ninth winning campaign under coach Rob Chesney, who was inducted into the MSU Athletics Hall of Fame during the ECAC playoffs. Junior goalkeeper Alex Luna made 121 saves in 22 starts, allowing just 24 goals in 2,021 minutes, and posted five shutouts to assume first place all-time at MSU with 20 career shutouts. Sophomore midfielder Mark Sa and freshman midfielder Mike Woessner paced MSU on the season with six goals and 18 points each.

Women's Soccer

The Red Hawk women's soccer team posted the finest season in the 10-year history of the sport, finishing 17-4-2 and capturing their first-ever Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Metro crown. Montclair State, which set a school record for victories, placed second in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) at 7-1-1. Maggie Findlay, named the MVP of the ECAC Tournament, capped off a brilliant career as she scored 25 goals and finished as the school's all-time leading goal scorer (57) and points leader (133). Marie Plaskett finished her career in grand style scoring the game-winning goal in the ECAC Championship, heading in a shot with 58 seconds left to lift the Red Hawks by New York University, 1-0. Both were named to the All-NJAC team, while Head Coach Eileen Blair was selected as the NJAC Coach of the Year.

Women's Field Hockey

The Red Hawks finished 13-6 overall; established new single-season highs with 55 goals, 51 assists and 161 points; and advanced to post-season play for the first time since 1990 before falling to St. Lawrence in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Division III Mid-Atlantic Field Hockey Championship. Junior midfielder Janel Bertini and freshman forward Lea Smith were named to the All-New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) First-Team. Bertini set a new MSU single-season record for assists (13), while Smith was the Red Hawks' leading goal scorer (11) and was a two-time NJAC Rookie of the Week.

Volleyball

The Red Hawks completed the season with an 18-10 mark, tied for second place in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) at 5-2 and advanced to the conference semifinals. Senior outside hitter Neely Hufnagel earned All-NJAC First Team honors, while senior setter Sharon Kaus earned Second Team All-NJAC accolades. Hufnagel led MSU with 323 kills and 3.4 kills per game while setting a new school career standard for most games played at attack (340). Kaus added to her own career assists mark, notching 994 assists to finish with 3,591 all-time.

Cross Country

The women's team finished fifth in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Championships, with freshman Tierra Hicks pacing all MSU women's harriers by placing 18th with a time of 21:18. The men's squad came in seventh at the NJACs, while sophomore Tom Baldwin crossed the line third overall with a time of 26:54. Baldwin had placed second in the MSU Cross-Country Invitational on Oct. 6, running a time of 28:42 to help the Red Hawks to a third-place finish.

Women's Tennis

Montclair State closed out its fall season at 7-2 overall and went 3-1 in New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) play to finish second in the standings. Sophomores Tracey Saladino and Paola Alexandres earned All-Conference honors for doubles play, while Alexandres earned singles accolades and freshman Claudia Lopez finished with an 8-2 singles record. Saladino and Lopez also earned NJAC Player of the Week honors once each.

Baseball ranked number one; wrestling competes in national dual meet

The Red Hawks, defending National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III champions, were tabbed pre-season number one in the American Baseball Coaches Association (ABCA)/Collegiate Baseball poll released Dec. 20. The team is coming off the best season in the 68-year history of the program, posting a 42-7-1 mark and capturing the school's third NCAA title by defeating St. Thomas (Minn.), 6-2 in the championship game of the World Series. Head coach Norm Schoenig was named the ABCA NCAA Division III National Coach of the Year.

Meanwhile, the MSU wrestling team, ranked number two in Division III, competed in the 2001 Cliff Keen/NWCA National Wrestling Duals at Penn State University. One of 16 teams in the event at the Bryce Jordan Center in January, MSU was the only Division III representative going against several Division I top teams.

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Kristine Peterson '01 M.A., center, reads to Tabansi and Claudia, pre-k students at the Montclair State University Child Care Center. As a communication sciences and disorders major, Peterson received hands-on experience working at the Center while earning a master's degree.

Building a brighter future

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

Claudia Flores comes to campus every day ready to learn. She is eager, bright and full of energy. She has been at Montclair State for four years, and this year she will graduate…to kindergarten.

Eight-year-old Eric Pzena is also a "graduate" of Montclair State. Unlike Claudia, who was a student in the Child Care Center, Eric was enrolled in the University's Demonstration School, a preschool for 3- to 5-year-olds diagnosed with pervasive development disorder (PDD), more commonly referred to as autism. Before entering the Demonstration School, Eric participated in the University's Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program, which offers individualized at-home services to more than 120 Essex County children ages infant to 3 years with developmental needs.

Claudia and Eric are two of the more than 100 youngsters each year who are given an early opportunity to grow, learn and thrive in these programs that benefit

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The Inside Track

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

Alumni Weekend always provides opportunities to come back to campus, renew old friendships and share memories of the "good old days" at Montclair State. This year's celebration was no exception.

Alumni from classes ending in 1 and 6, and graduates from the College of Humanities and Social Sciences gathered for their reunions. It was wonderful to witness classmates seeing each other for the first time in many years reminiscing about their student days.

During the annual meeting I shared news about activities of the Alumni Association from the past year. We continued our new practice of inviting members of the 50th anniversary graduating class to join us at commencement. Those joining us agreed that the ceremony at Continental Airlines Arena with nearly 3,000 graduates differed more than slightly from their own graduations.

Summertime activities included Summer Splash, a New Jersey Jackals game on campus and a Mets game against their archrivals, the Atlanta Braves. In late summer we hosted an ice skating event at Floyd Hall Arena on campus.

Several board members, along with our Student Alumni Council, attended Moving-In Day in September, greeting freshmen and their families. Our hope is that by making students aware of the Alumni Association in the beginning of their academic careers they will become active members upon graduation.

We hosted alumni receptions in South Jersey, Washington, D.C., and Phoenix, Ariz., and in March we hosted an on-campus event honoring Hispanic alumni.

One of the highlights of our year is always the Scholarship Reception. This year awards amounted to $54,000, thanks to your contributions.

Alumni Green continues to flourish. The commemorative brick program has been a success (bricks are still available), and beautiful new signs designate Alumni Green (see page 12).

The high point of Alumni Weekend had to have been the official kick-off of the amphitheater restoration project. The afternoon was beautiful as alumni and officials joined in the amphitheater to "break ground" for the project. Several alumni remembered events that occurred there—a president's daughter's wedding, romantic adventures, freshman orientations, classes during warm sunny days. Perhaps the most important occurrence was the presentation of a check to President Susan A. Cole as the beginning of the alumni commitment to the project. If you haven't already done so, check the amphitheater Web site at www.montclair.edu/pages/Alumni/amphitheatre.html. The photographs are wonderful, as are the memories recalled by alumni. Why not add yours as well? You can also learn how you, too, can be a part of making this project happen. We need your support!

Your Alumni Association is here to serve you. We welcome your ideas and hope that you will join us for events. This year's Alumni Weekend was a great event. Start making plans now to attend next year's reunion. Come back to campus for a visit. You'll have a great time, and I look forward to seeing you there!

Dr. Susan A. Cole
President, Montclair State University

If you meet a 5-year-old who tells you she is studying at Montclair State, don't be skeptical. Almost any day of the year, you can find children, from toddlers to teens, engaged in some of the University's exciting and innovative programs for children. We believe our responsibility to young learners begins long before freshman year, and many youngsters—and their parents—take advantage of the wide range of programs the University offers.

Now in its 20th successful year, the nationally recognized Academically Gifted and Talented Program operates two popular summer camps and offers weekend classes during the school year. That program brings hundreds of students in grades one through 11 to campus each year.

Young musicians also hone their talents at Montclair State. The Music Preparatory Division offers a program for musicians ages 30 months to 8 years, and the Basic Musicianship Program for ages 8 through 18.

Through the generosity of Josh and Judy Weston, the Weston Scholars Program offers high school students the opportunity to work with Montclair State science professors doing hands-on research.

Many other programs serve children throughout the year. Our Reading Clinic serves elementary school children from a multitude of school districts. TheatreFest for Kids provides a summer program for young people interested in the theater, and the Great Events Series offers theatrical productions each year for schoolchildren and their teachers, and for family entertainment. During the academic year, children come to campus to learn how to swim, to ice skate at Floyd Hall Arena, or to improve their athletic skills.

The youngest learners on our campus are at the Child Care Center and the Psychoeducational Center. The Child Care Center offers developmentally appropriate programs for children three months to six years of age, while the Psychoeducational Center provides early intervention programs for children with special developmental needs. An exciting new project, The Children's Center at Montclair State University will be home to both these wonderful programs. The Center will allow us to expand and enhance vital services for young children and their families, and will be a national model for inclusive early childhood education.

In this issue you can read more about the positive impact the Psychoeducational Center and the Child Care Center have had on children and their families, as well as details about the new Children's Center. Thanks to the generosity of many of our alumni and friends, as well as corporate and foundation support, we are pleased that we have raised more than $500,000 for this wonderful project so far. With a total estimated cost of $8 million, we have much more work to do.

Montclair State's primary mission is, of course, to provide high-quality undergraduate and graduate programs. But part of our great strength as a University is our engagement in the society around us. Through our demonstration programs for children, we bring the University's considerable expertise to address issues related to the education of the young. By doing so, we enrich ourselves as a teaching and learning institution through service to the community.

Alumni Profile

The Bray Family

BY BILL VALLADARES

Whoever said lightning never strikes twice in the same place never met the Bray twins.

Sharon '01 was a psychology major with minors in pre-law and paralegal studies who graduated with a 4.0 grade point average. She headed this fall to Harvard Law School. Christine '01 majored in chemistry, had a 3.9 grade point average and is pursuing a Ph.D. in physical chemistry at Boston University. She got an early start there this summer conducting research on anti-cancer drugs.

A skilled golfer, Sharon was approached in high school by several Ivy League and Division II schools to play golf, but the prospect of founding a women's team at Montclair State, along with a full Honors Program scholarship, was too good to pass up.

Christine also earned a full scholarship through the Honors Program, along with the Sokol Freshman Scholarship Award. "After visiting Montclair State's Chemistry Department I liked what I saw. So when Montclair State offered me a full package I jumped at the opportunity," said Christine, who is the recipient of the Margaret and Herman Sokol Graduate Fellowship in Science. She also played golf for Montclair with Sharon, who became captain of the team.

The twins managed to maintain their own identities on campus. Sharon, who commuted, spent most of her time in Dickson Hall, while Christine, who lived on campus, spent a lot of time in Richardson. "Although we're fraternal twins we look very much alike," said Sharon. "One of Christine's professors suspected I had a social disorder because he thought I sometimes greeted him with a cheerful smile and said hello, and other times I walked right by him."

Enrolling at the University delighted Sharon and Christine's parents, who were students at Montclair State themselves 30 years ago. William Bray, a guidance counselor at Garfield High School, was a communications major with a concentration in speech pathology. He graduated in '68 and earned a master's degree in counseling in 1970. He played golf for Montclair and began teaching his daughters when they were 13. Lorraine Cerrato Bray, a bilingual Spanish teacher in the Belleville school system, graduated in 1971 with a Spanish major and a minor in French.

The Bray family: clockwise from back, Lorraine '71, Christine '01, William '68 '70 M.A., Sharon '01 and Lisa, a master's candidate.

"Bill and I met one day when my friends and I were looking for a place to eat in the cafeteria," Lorraine said. "He was sitting with his frat, and when we sat down a friend introduced us."

Sharon and Christine's older sister, Lisa, a high school math teacher, is a master's candidate at Montclair State. She did her undergraduate work at St. Elizabeth's College in Convent Station where she triple majored in math, special education and teaching.

Sharon conducted research on job satisfaction—the validity of paper/pencil vs. computerized tests—and will continue until it is complete. Last summer Christine presented research—a computational study on propylcyclohexane at the 220th National American Chemical Society meeting in Washington, D.C.

"Our daughters' accomplishments are shocking to us because my wife and I were decent students, but nowhere near where they are," said William, who sometimes worries about his daughters. "They are all hard working. In fact, sometimes I'm not too happy with all the studying because I want them to enjoy life, because life is a balance between work and play."

Christine plans to become a research scientist in the pharmaceutical industry, while Sharon plans to work with women in the prison system. "I'm also interested in capital defense work," she said, "because everyone deserves the best legal representation they can get." Sharon, who also plans on doing public interest work, was committed to community service both on and off campus. Through Legal Studies she volunteered at the Community Health Law Project in Bloomfield. She's also worked on fund-raisers for cancer research and children with AIDS and volunteered at St. Joseph's Hospital.

"My family has had a tremendous amount of success here," said Sharon. "Montclair State may not have the reputation of Princeton, but the faculty is just as good. I wouldn't trade my decision to come here for anything."

Christine agrees with her sister. "Montclair State has been good to my family. It has touched us all in one way or another. I'm proud of what I accomplished, and it especially makes me feel good to know I made my parents proud."

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both the campus and surrounding communities.

The first to open its doors was the Demonstration School in 1974. Seven years later, the early intervention component was added to complete a comprehensive program for children with developmental delays. Both programs are approved by the state of New Jersey, and the Demonstration Program is nationally recognized for its work with children with autism.

In 1988, the University opened a Child Care Center that has grown to provide educational and developmentally appropriate programs for children 3 months through 6 years. Accredited by the National Academy of Early Childhood Programs, the Child Care Center is regarded as one of the best in the region with a waiting list of more than 100 families. Part of the reason for the wait is that the Center, like the Demonstration School, has outgrown its space. Housed in separate facilities, the exceptional services provided by these programs are not reflected in their inadequate and overcrowded spaces.

The answer to the problem lies in President Susan A. Cole's plan for a 27,000-square-foot state-of-the-art Children's Center, which will house both programs under one roof.

"Montclair State has a longstanding commitment to children," said Cole. "The new Children's Center is one more example of that commitment."

Not only will The Children's Center have the capacity to serve nearly 500 children a year, it also will be a learning laboratory for the more than 400 Montclair State students studying early childhood education. For years, both the Demonstration Program and Child Care Center have played an important role in the University's nationally recognized Teacher Education Program. For students who are studying early childhood education, special education, speech-language pathology, school psychology, and music, physical or occupational therapy, the programs provide an experiential learning site where they can observe children and assist teachers.

"This new building will allow Montclair State to extend those invaluable experiences to a far greater number of students," said Cole. "And as graduates move on to careers with schools and other agencies, what they learn at The Children's Center will have a profound impact on early childhood education throughout the region."

The Center also will bring together children like Claudia and Eric under one roof and be a leader and national model in the movement toward inclusive education.

Designed by C. James Lawler of C.J. Lawler Associates, the Center will include 10-12 classrooms, therapy rooms, a resource center, kitchen facilities, and a multi-purpose room for parent and staff meetings, conferences and workshops. Spaces also will be designed to meet campus needs for student observation and experiential learning.

The 12,000 square feet of outdoor play space is designed to provide each age group with developmentally appropriate activities. A combination of playground equipment, sand areas, tricycle paths and natural play materials will give children the full opportunity for engaging, active recreation time.

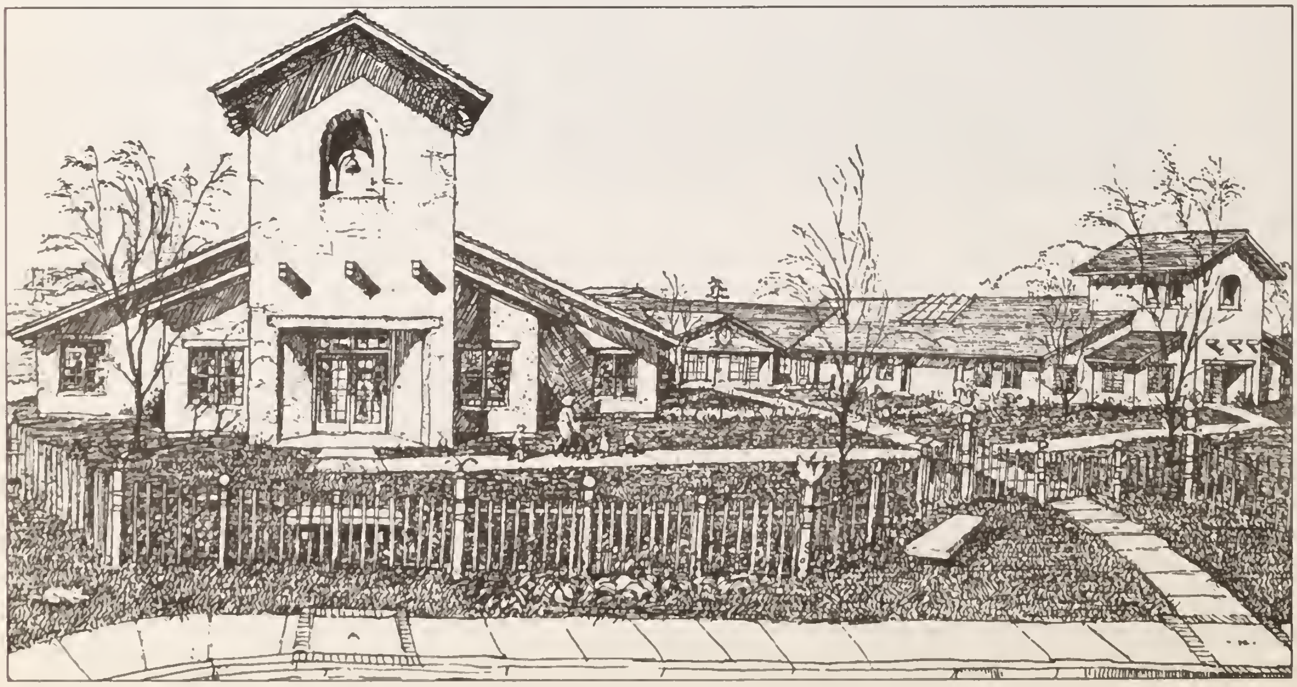
Naryan, 4, a student in the Demonstration School, enjoys a moment with teacher Grace Minervo-Bineo.

Funding for the $8 million Center is expected to come from individual contributions, foundations and corporations. In March, the University hosted a dinner to raise funds for the Center. Sponsored by Summit Bank, the event brought together some of the state's most prominent corporate and community leaders, drawing corporate sponsorship support from First Union National Bank, Fleet Bank, The Prudential Insurance Company of America, and Johnson & Johnson. Corporate benefactors included Bestfoods, Goya Foods, PSE&G, Schering-Plough Research Institute and Sodexho-Marriott.

Honored during the program were four individuals who have made an impact on the programs: Rich Pzena, Ralph and Margaret Miano and Rosemary Bray. (See stories on pages 5 and 6.)

To date, more than $500,000 has been raised for the new facility.

For more information about The Children's Center project, call the Development Office at 973-655-4332.



An artist's rendering of The Children's Center at Montclair State.

For the love of children

By Diana St. Lifer

Janey DeLuca, director of the Child Care Center, presents a plaque to parent Rosemary Bray for her support of and involvement in the Center.

You can't put a price tag on peace of mind. Just ask Rosemary Bray. A renowned journalist, author and editor, Bray has had a successful career that has included writing for *Essence*, *Glamour*, *Ms.*, *The Wall Street Journal* and *The New York Times*. In 1996, she decided to shift gears and enroll in the seminary at Drew University. With 3-year-old Allen at home and another on the way, Bray and her husband, Bob McNatt, a longtime editor at *Business Week*, found salvation in Montclair State's Child Care Center. (See related story story on page 1.)

"You can't be productive at work if you have to worry about your children," said Bray, who is also an active community volunteer. "If you're worried about how your child is spending his day, you can't concentrate or be effective."

This summer the Brays will move from Montclair to New York City where Rosemary will take over as minister of the Fourth Universalist Society. Allen, now 8, will enter third grade and his younger brother, Daniel, 5, will enter kindergarten. Things may seem easier now, but Bray recalls that stressful period of juggling school, family and her weekly job as a commentator on MSNBC. The University Child Care Center, she said, made her task easier.

"Quality child care is so important," she said emphatically. "It was an incredibly hectic schedule the 18 months I was in seminary. Bob and I had to come up with a system of getting Allen to and from child care, and the schedule would change each semester," she explained.

Although there were times Allen would spend many hours at the Center, knowing the quality of care he was receiving put a working mother's mind at ease.

"It was important to me that if I had to be away from Allen, I knew he was at a place where he wasn't bored, restless or watching television all day," Bray said. "At the Child Care Center, not only did I know he was having a good time, I knew the people there loved him."

So when it came time to find care for Daniel, the decision was easy. She enrolled him where she felt she found partners in raising her children.

"I've never had to worry about the boys' developmentally, socially, physically or emotionally when they were at the Center," Bray said. "There is always an open dialogue between the parents, teachers and Janey [DeLuca, director]. I felt they really knew my children, and I can bet most of the parents feel that way.

"If there is a problem in the classroom, I know I'll be told about it. And I always knew I could discuss any problems I was having at home with the boys."

Bray also has been involved in the Center's activities. The author of several books, including *Unafraid of the Dark: A Memoir* and biographies of Nelson Mandela and Martin Luther King written especially for children, she has participated in the Center's literacy events. As co-chair of the Jessie Smith Noyes Foundation, she has been a generous supporter of the Center.

Now that both their children will be in public schools, Bray and McNatt will no longer be making a daily stop at the Child Care Center. "I will really miss it," Bray said. "But both my children are well prepared to enter the world. In many ways I can thank the Center for that."

Ralph '58 and Margaret Miano have been longtime friends and supporters of the University. The couple has an adult son with autism and is involved with many organizations dedicated to research and support for those diagnosed with the condition. When they heard about plans for The Children's Center, Ralph and Margaret

Warren Heiss, a faculty member in Communication Sciences and Disorders, presents a plaque to Ralph and Margaret Miano for their support of the new Children's Center at Montclair State.

were eager to learn more, starting with a visit to the Demonstration School.

When they arrived at the small house on Clove Road, they were reminded of the programs in which their son, Paul, now 32, participated.

"We've seen many programs over the years," said Margaret, who recalled driving Paul 150 miles each way from their home in Charlotte, N.C. to a program in Chapel Hill.

The Mianos were impressed by the work being done at the Demonstration School, and made an immediate connection with School Director Antoinette Spiotta. "Toni is just fabulous," Margaret said. "She and the staff are doing terrific things."

The idea of putting this quality program into a new, spacious facility prompted the Mianos to make a lead gift to support its development. "It would be nice for them to have a new place," she said. "Nice, bright surroundings certainly would be more stimulating for the children." But the couple didn't stop there. They also established a scholarship for graduate students working in both the Demonstration School and Early Intervention Program.

"For us, it just seemed like a natural way to give," Margaret said. "Children with autism hold a special place in our hearts."

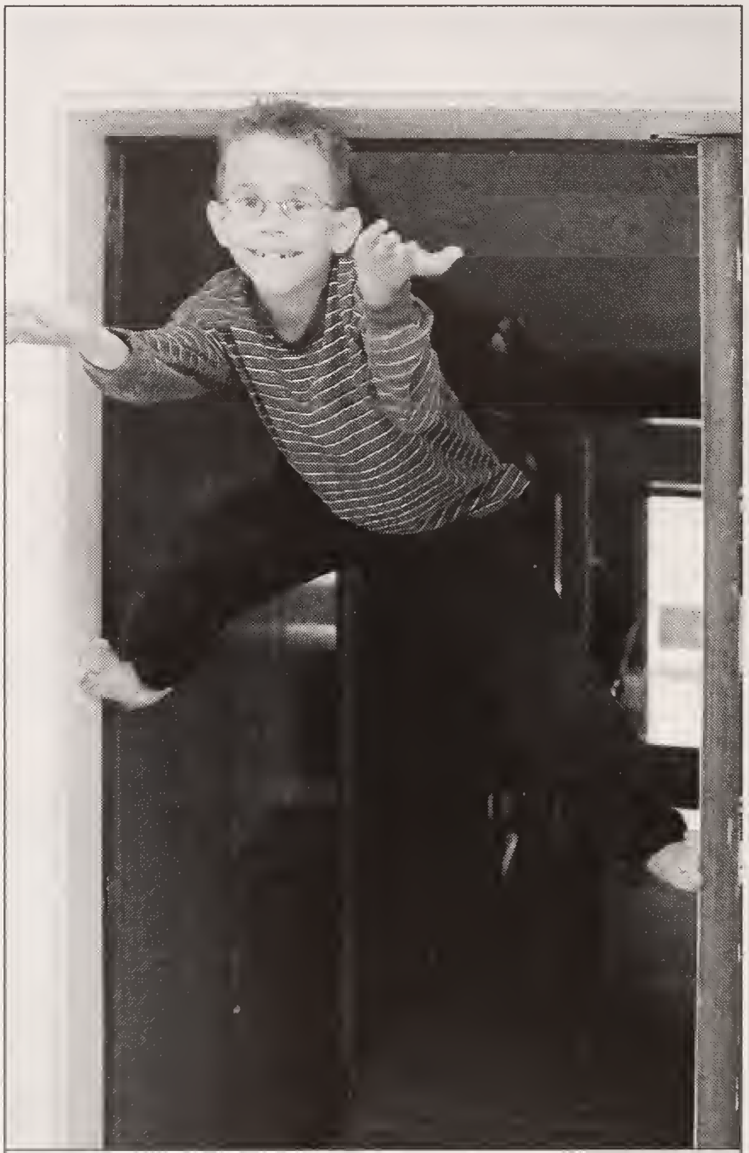
Paul, who is one of four children, lives at the Eden Institute, an adult residence for developmentally disabled adults, a program Margaret recalls began in a basement. "Unfortunately, special needs children often are relegated to the worst quarters," she said. The Mianos have been active in raising money for the residence and Ralph serves as chair of the Institute's board of directors and chair of the operating committee.

A chemist by training, Ralph, a former member of the University Foundation Board, spent most of his career at Hoechst Calanese. In 1992 he retired as vice president for the Advanced Materials Division.

Margaret holds a Ph.D. in urban planning from Rutgers University and has a particular interest in housing for people with developmental disabilities. Both are active with Our House, Inc., a social service agency that serves people with developmental disabilities. Margaret served as chair of the Our House Foundation Board, of which Ralph was a member, and she also chaired the Board of Trustees. Margaret also volunteers her time to the Human Rights Committee of the Union County Association for Retarded Citizens.

If there is a way of improving the lives of people with disabilities, the Mianos will find it.

September 21, 1994 was a devastating day for Rich and Wendy Pzena. It was their son Eric's second birthday and the couple had an appointment with a pediatric neurologist. They were hoping to get some answers to their son's unusual behavior.



Seeing Eric Pzena today, it is hard to believe he was diagnosed with autism when he was 2 years old.

The Pzenas, who have three other children, had been growing more concerned about Eric since he was 14 months old. "We just knew something wasn't right," said Rich. "He would lie on the floor with a toy truck, and roll it back and forth about an inch from eyes. He would do that for an hour, and there was no distracting him. He also would go into our backyard, stand at the fence and watch the cars go by for hours on end." Eric also stopped speaking and would communicate by pointing or leading a person to what he wanted.

The doctor's diagnosis was Pervasive Development Disorder, more commonly known as autism. He suggested Eric be institutionalized. "He basically said that we should devote our time and energy to our other children," Rich recalled.

Institutionalizing Eric was never an option for the family. They immediately started Eric in a series of therapies, including speech, physical and occupational. "We saw minor changes," he said, "but nothing drastic. Then we came across the Early Intervention Program at Montclair State."

Eric spent a year in the Early Intervention Program, now called the Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program, and then his parents enrolled him in the Demonstration Program for children ages 3-5.

"It is such a warm, caring environment," Rich said. "The staff has so much concern for the children. They are all saints. It can't be easy dealing with children who, for the most part, don't respond. The rewards are few and far between. It takes a special kind of person to do this every day."

School Director Antoinette Spiotta will never forget Eric. "He truly is a success story," she said. "The child who first came to us was completely different from the child who left. Some people would call it a miracle."

Eric will celebrate his ninth birthday this year. Thanks to the help and support of the Early Intervention Program and Demonstration School, he is a fully functioning, social child who loves music, art and sports.

When Pzena learned of the University's plans to build The Children's Center he was eager to lend a hand. Hoping to raise $25,000 to pay for architectural plans, the founder and president of Pzena Investment Management wrote a heartwarming letter to friends and colleagues describing Eric's grave prognosis and amazing recovery.

The letter raised $250,000.

Thanks to Rich and others like them, the Children's Center is one step closer to reality and more children like Eric will receive the love and support they need.

Pass the gravy fries, please

By Diana St. Lifer

It's as American as apple pie and more New Jersey than the Turnpike. It's the good old-fashioned diner, in all its stainless steel and neon beauty.

With the most diners in the nation, New Jersey has been dubbed the Diner Capital of the World. From the White Tower in Atlantic City to the Stateline in Mahwah, the Garden State has more than 600 diners whose styles range from the distinctive look of the 1950s to modern structures whose facades belie the book-like menu of diner fare offered inside.

This summer Montclair State will add another name to the list of New Jersey diners, and make history when the Red Hawk Diner becomes the first in the state, and perhaps the nation, to be built on a college campus.

The diner was first built in Lebanon, N.J., at the factory of Kullman Industries, the leading manufacturer of diners since 1927. There, the diner was assembled and then taken apart to make the trip to its final destination, the Montclair State campus. The Red Hawk Diner will then be reassembled piece by piece on campus on the site that was prepared while the diner was being constructed in the factory. (To see photos of the diner being contructed, go to www.montclair.edu and click on "Campus Construction.")

The process is called accelerated construction and Kullman Industries is a leading innovator in this technology of modular building. In 1987, Kullman began reintroducing the custom-built classic diners with the American City Diner in Washington, D.C. Since then, Kullman has built diners throughout the world, from as far away as Linthe-Brück, Germany to the famous Tick Tock Diner in Clifton.

Accelerated construction allows the project to be completed in two simultaneous phases. While the diner was being constructed at the Kullman factory, the site was being excavated and prepared for the diner's arrival. "This simultaneous activity of on- and off-site building reduces the overall project schedule by as much as 50 percent," said Anthony Filippini, project manager at Kullman. "Our craftsmen use the highest quality materials in the industry, with the added advantage of building in a controlled environment where quality standards can be maintained."

Once the diner was ready for transport, it was taken apart in sections, some as large as 14-by-50 feet, and put on flatbed trucks to make the two-day journey from Lebanon to Montclair.

Funded by Sodexho, the University's dining services provider, the 2,775-square-foot Red Hawk Diner will be erected behind the Student Center and will open for business by late summer. A grand opening celebration is scheduled for the first day of classes, Sept. 4.

With seating for 119 people, the diner will serve traditional diner fare, from juicy burgers and French fries to thick milkshakes and tempting desserts. It will be open 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

The newest eating venue on campus is expected to be a sure hit with the entire campus community.

Spanning the University

CAMPUS NEWS

Faculty win NEH and Howard fellowships

Elizabeth Emery of French, German and Russian, and Elizabeth Valdez del Alamo of Fine Arts have been awarded prestigious fellowships.

Emery won a National Endowment for the Humanities summer stipend for a book project, *Consuming the Past: The Medieval Revival in Fin-de-Siecle France.*

"Readers of *Consuming the Past* will discover the passion for the Middle Ages that swept France from 1870 to 1914," Emery wrote in her application. "In museums and churches, taverns and World's Fair pavilions, the French celebrated their nation's past, appropriating and reconfiguring historical narratives in order to create an ideal model of national achievement."

Emery is the fourth Montclair State faculty member to receive an NEH summer stipend. Valdez del Alamo became the first Montclair State faculty member to win a George A. and Eliza Howard Foundation Fellowship.

The Howard Foundation at Brown University awards a limited number of fellowships each year for independent projects in selected fields. This year's field is painting, sculpture and art history. Valdez del Alamo won the award for *Palace of the Mind: The Sculpture of Silos and the Transformation of Castilian Art in the 12th Century,* a book on the monastery of Santo Domingo de Silos and Spanish sculpture of the 12th century.

"Despite the acknowledged importance of Santo Domingo de Silos, no scholarly study has yet looked at the monastery's sculpture as a whole," Valdez del Alamo said. "This book will trace, via the sculpture of Silos, the introduction of Romanesque sculpture into the Iberian Peninsula and its development through the 12th century into the distinctively Castilian early Gothic style that flowered in Santiago de Compostela in 1188.

"The book," she continued, "considers how the meaning and reception of an image may change when transferred from the cloister to the context of a church portal, and the link between style and ideology."

Susan Nanney of Research and Sponsored Programs said both the NEH and Howard Foundation award programs are extremely competitive. "Only 9 percent of entrants are awarded funding," she said.

With assistance from fellow student Doug Rockhill (right), Christine Sandholt (left) cuts the ceremonial grand opening ribbon for the graphic design lab as Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, and Montclair State President Susan A. Cole look on.

State-of-the-art graphic design lab opens

Classes have begun in the new graphic design studio in Finley Hall. Equipped with state-of-the-art technology, the lab is being used to teach introductory to advanced levels of graphic design and computer graphics. Classes range from introductory levels of computer graphics to Web and multimedia design to digital photography.

"Marty Greenwald [of Fine Arts] and I spent five years observing how students worked before configuring their work spaces in the lab," said Graphic Design Coordinator John Luttropp. The new facility contains 31 Macintosh G4 computers and two IBM PCs in four rooms that are interconnected.

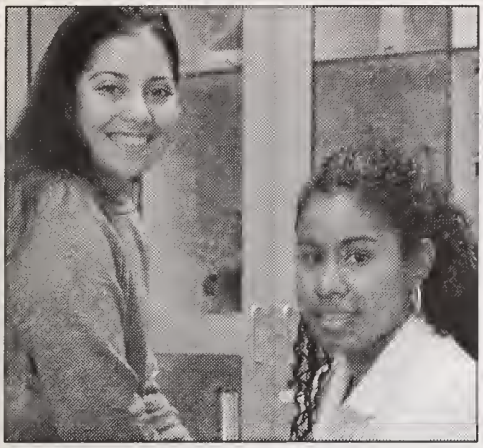
"The primary teaching lab has 20 work stations and a teaching station that are connected with Apple Network Assistant so students can share the instructor's screen during lectures," explained Luttropp. "Instructors can also broadcast their screens to individual monitors or bring a student's monitor up to the large display screen."

In addition to the primary teaching space is a studio lab, which provides an informal setting with individual working spaces. A digital output center allows fine arts students to create professional pieces for their portfolios. "Our print shop also has traditional offset printing, which sets us apart from other schools. We teach our design students how to use plates and ink. Other programs just teach the new technology," said Luttropp.

Central to the new facility are the faculty offices. "We wanted our offices in the middle, to be accessible to our students," said Greenwald. A conference room is located adjacent to the offices.

"By investing in this studio area, we are able to build a program that meets future needs and growth," said Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts. "Graphic design is one of the School's fastest growing programs. Students in this area get job offers before they even graduate."

In addition to serving Montclair State students, the lab also provides more opportunities for community outreach. "The department is working with the Mount Hebron School in Montclair, assisting them with a parents' night project," Luttropp said. "We want to get more involved with projects of that nature."



Something to smile about

They may be juniors, but Melissa Colón (right) and Victoria Santiago are already the first Montclair State students to be accepted to attend the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) under a 1999 dental articulation agreement between the two universities.

Colón, a biology major, and Santiago, a molecular biology major, have been offered acceptance into UMDNJ's dental school for September, one year early, based on their outstanding academic performance: Colón has been on the Dean's List every semester and Santiago is in the Honors Program.

Santiago accepted the offer and will not receive a bachelor's degree. Instead, she will go directly for a D.M.D. Students accepted for early enrollment are not required to finish four-year degrees as long as they complete the prerequisites for their major, according to Marie Washington, academic adviser/counselor in the Health Careers Program.

Santiago, who has wanted to be a dentist since she was a child, is eager to start realizing her dream.

"I can't wait," she said. "I have to give up some things to start early, but that's what I need to do."

Colón, however, is choosing to wait. She will complete her senior year at Montclair State and earn a bachelor's degree, and begin dental school in 2002. "I've worked hard to have this opportunity, and I'm excited about it," she said. "But my time at Montclair State has been wonderful, and I'm involved in a lot of activities."

Similar to the requirements of the medical articulation agreement established with UMDNJ in 1994, the dental program requires students to be in the top 10 percent of their class, have a "B" average or better and S.A.T. scores of 1100 or more.

"We've already had 28 students go through the B.S./M.D. program," Washington said. "It will be nice to see the same success for students in the D.M.D. program."

Montclair State joins N.J. Coastal Communiversity

In September, students from Brookdale and Ocean County community colleges who hold an associate's degree in business administration can study for a bachelor's degree from Montclair State without ever leaving the Jersey shore.

Montclair State joins four other four-year institutions and the two community colleges in the newly created New Jersey Coastal Communiversity.

Montclair State will offer a bachelor's degree in business administration with a concentration in management. According to Karen Dennis, assistant dean of the School of Business, Montclair State's Weekend M.B.A. program also may be offered.

The other four-year schools involved in the program are Kean University, Rutgers University, New Jersey Institute of Technology and Georgian Court College. Together, the four-year institutions are offering seven bachelor's degree programs, six master's degree programs and nine graduate certificates.

The Communiversity has been in the making for several years because of limited access to four-year schools at the Jersey shore. "This is a chance for Montclair State to help meet a specific educational demand from this part of the state," Dennis said, "where there are few options for students who cannot travel a long distance because of work or personal obligations, but seek a four-year degree."

In September, Communiversity classes will be held at the BCC campus in Lincroft. The Communiversity will eventually move to a building at Camp Evans, an abandoned military base in Wall Township.

According to Dennis, School of Business faculty will teach classes not only by traveling to the Communiversity campus, but interactively, using the MSU and Brookdale distance learning classrooms, and delivering some courses via the Internet. "This is a great opportunity not only for the students, but for our own faculty who have been investigating ways to use these instructional technologies in their teaching."

All students must meet the admission standards of the college or university from which they want to obtain a degree, and pay the tuition set by the school. Only upper-level undergraduate and graduate courses will be offered.

"The courses for Communiversity students will be the same as those here on campus," said Dennis, who hopes Montclair State's participation in the Communiversity will encourage other students from that area to consider Montclair for other degree programs.

Montclair
STATE UNIVERSITY

MSU flag selected... Dr. Karen L. Pennington (right), vice president for Student Development and Campus Life, and student Melody Gbur, get ready to raise Montclair State University's official flag at the annual World's Fair held on campus in the spring. The flag was designed by Gbur, a fine arts major, and was selected by the campus community from among several designs.

Spanning the University

New center fosters an engaged campus

For 26 years, more than 10,000 Montclair State students have participated in experiential education through the Cooperative Education program. Six years ago, students were introduced to the opportunity to learn about active citizenship and service to the community through the Service-Learning program. Today, these two programs, as well as other applied learning activities that will help foster an engaged campus, comprise the University's newly established Center for Community-Based Learning.

Freyda Lazarus, director, said the Center will help the University focus a major part of its teaching, research and service resources on the critical issues facing local communities. "We have tremendous resources from which the local community can benefit," Lazarus explained. "By connecting the campus to the community, we can invigorate teaching, provide new focus for faculty research and offer unlimited possibilities to build solid, focused relationships with people and organizations in the community."

Through the Service-Learning program, Montclair State has partnered with organizations primarily in the township of Montclair to address issues concerning aging, the digital divide, children at risk, literacy, substance abuse and conflict resolution. "We've been seeing an increasing number of faculty working together across disciplines to work as a team in tackling these issues," Lazarus said.

The goal of the Center is to create partnerships that build the Service-Learning and Co-op programs while identifying initiatives that relate to faculty and community interests.

Outstanding female students win presidential awards

President Susan A. Cole congratulated the winners of this year's Presidential Achievement Awards at a reception March 27 that was the culminating event of Women's History Month.

Jeanette Mammaro, a speech communication major, received the award for Excellence in Campus Community Service. Recently elected president of the Student Government Association, Mammaro is a member of the Greek Council and Phi Sigma Sigma, and a peer educator in the All Together Different Multicultural Weekend.

Jeanette Mammaro, President Susan A. Cole, Estelle Docteur and Marta Fernandez

The award for Excellence in Scholarship went to molecular biology major Estelle Docteur, who is aspiring to a career as a physician. With a 3.98 grade point average, Docteur is a recipient of the Edward J. Bloustein Award, and an Alumni Association Undergraduate Student Citation Award, and is a member of the Golden Key National Honor Society.

Broadcasting major Marta Fernandez received the award for Excellence in Leadership. An active member of American Women in Radio and Television, she also is a volunteer for the Gracie Allen Awards and the New York Women's Agenda.

Preparing teachers for the classroom

How well does Montclair State University prepare its student teachers for successful careers in our nation's classrooms?

How does a 97 percent score on required state tests sound?

"The federal government is now requiring all states and institutions with teacher education programs to prepare annual reports on teacher preparation and licensing," said Dr. Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services. "As part of these reports, all teacher education programs must annually report their teacher education candidates' pass rate on state tests. We just received our pass rate for 1999-2000, the first year of reporting, from Educational Testing Service. We are delighted to report that we have an overall pass rate of 97 percent. Additionally, in most of our certification programs, 100 percent of our candidates passed the required tests."

Cutler noted that the University is "extensively involved" in a number of innovative programs.

"We have established the first-in-the-nation Center of Pedagogy, which brings together faculty from the arts and sciences, education and the public schools and involves them in the ongoing work of teacher education. It is the umbrella under which all of Montclair State's pre-service and continuing education programs for teachers thrive."

Cutler also noted that Montclair State has one of the nation's most mature school-university partnerships, the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal. The NJNER is committed to an extensive, ongoing collaboration with 23 schools district partners, benefitting the University, the students, the teachers and the community.

"Teacher education at Montclair State is recognized as one of the strongest programs in the nation," Cutler said.

Also bearing witness are the scores of educators statewide who have hired Montclair State graduates, and are thrilled that they did so.

"The graduates we have hired from Montclair for teaching positions are well-skilled in their content areas, dedicated, diligent and good team players," said William Hahn, principal of Woodrow Wilson Middle School in Clifton.

Dr. Elaine Davis, principal of Montclair High School, said, "The graduates of Montclair State are highly marketable in this competitive job market because of their skills. My school and district have hired some outstanding candidates from the University, all of whom possess knowledge of pedagogy, the ability to effectively connect with a diverse population of students, and demonstrate a solid foundation in their content areas."

Visiting scholar chooses Montclair State

Each year the U.S. Dept. of Education (USDOE) selectively chooses 300 people nationwide to become visiting scholars for a developmental assignment in an area of their professional interest. This year one of those people is Norma Fleischman, a policy analyst with the department. She chose Montclair State.

"I requested to conduct research here because of the teacher training model the College of Education and Human Services is involved in, and because of the strong links among the College and the arts and sciences, and public schools," she said. "It's rare to find those strong linkages in schools of education."

The program is run by the department's Office of Educational Research and Improvement (OERI), which provides national leadership for educational research and statistics, and strives to promote excellence and equity in American education.

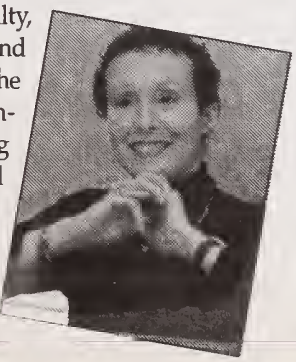
Fleischman spent the first half of the year on campus as a visiting scholar working out of the Center of Pedagogy. The assignment is an extension of her dissertation, "The Role of State Agencies in Supporting Teacher Professional Development in Technology," which she did at American University in Washington, D.C.

At the USDOE Fleischman deals with issues regarding what she calls the "great divide," the lack of access to technology by disadvantaged populations and minorities. She is involved with issues of teacher quality, student achievement and technology in education reform.

"Higher education has a major role to play in teaching teachers how to use technology as a standard base in teaching," said Fleischman.

This is not the visiting scholar's first association with Montclair State. Both her parents are alumni. Fleischman's father, Robert, a retired Bergen Community College art professor, earned a B.A. in fine art in '66, and a master's degree in '68. Her mother, Elizabeth, who earned a master's in speech pathology in '68, is a retired Elmwood Park Elementary School speech therapist.

Fleischman was attracted to Montclair State by the energy of its faculty, and the leadership and visionary work in the CEHS. "There's commitment to working across campus and with schools in the area to strengthen teacher quality and schools in New Jersey," she said.



ALUMNI NEWS

To communicate with the Alumni Relations Office concerning any of the following (unless otherwise noted), address mail to the Montclair State University Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043, call 973-655-4141, fax 973-655-5483 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Get ready to hit the links

Get your golf clubs ready and come play on one of New Jersey's newest golf courses. On Monday, Sept. 17, the University will host its 15th annual MSU Golf Classic at the Sky View Golf Club in Sparta. A semi-private 190-acre facility, the Sky View features 18 holes of golf and breathtaking views.

Cost to participate in the classic is $175 per player, and includes greens fees, cart, lunch, dinner and prizes. Sponsorships and donations also are available. All money raised will benefit MSU Athletics.

Former athletes are encouraged to play as the sport with the most participating alumni will receive a bonus portion of the proceeds.

For more information, call 973-746-0417.

Dig in... Montclair State President Susan A. Cole and Alumni Association President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. go for the dig as they kick off the amphitheater restoration project during Alumni Weekend. Looking on are Association Board members Elaine Yaccarino '88 '92 M.A. and Pat Ackershoek '71.

Congratulations and welcome... The Alumni Association hosted a Senior Send-Off for graduates and their families the evening before commencement as a way of saying congratulations and welcome to the growing ranks of Montclair State alumni.

Spanning the University

Nominations sought for Alumni Citations

Each year, the Montclair State University Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates through the Alumni Citation Award. Candidates are nominated by alumni and the campus community, and awards are presented during Alumni Weekend in May. This year's award recipients were Peg Margaret Rhodes '80 and William Bingham '50.

To be considered for the Alumni Citation Award, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions that have benefited the community, University and/or related agencies or the candidate's profession.

Nominators should send the name, address, telephone number and year of graduation to the Alumni Relations Office by Nov. 16.

Super breakfast... Alumni who are school superintendents in the tri-state area shared their ideas and experiences at the recent School Superintendent Breakfast held on campus. Pictured (front row, from left) George Iannacone '54 '59 M.A.; Frank Alvarez '76; James Smith '66; Char Stanko '72; (back row) Thomas Vannatta '65; William Liess '58; Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services; Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement; Barry Worman '69; David Weischadle of the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership; and Barbara Strobert '59.

Alumni Association honors students at annual awards ceremony

The Alumni Association held its annual Awards Ceremony on April 2. Graduate School citations were presented to Cathy Thomas, College of Education and Human Services; Nydia DeJesus, College of Humanities and Social Services; Eliza Leszczynski, College of Science and Mathematics; and Joanne LeFrak, School of the Arts.

Cheryl Hopper '95 M.A. presented the Carpe Diem Award to Juan Conejero, Ingrida Dapkute, Keita Kankam, Anita Knipping and Pai-Ying Tsai.

Undergraduate scholarships were presented to Gina Cunha, Nicole Rivlin, Emanuel Caravano, Christopher Fitzpatrick, Omar Merhom, Brooke Campbell, Ebony Mack, Judith Maier, Naadira Binyard, Anna Cartier, Omeche Idoko, Victoria Santiago, Mariela Torres and Myriame Zamulus.

Undergradute citation recipients included Sharon Bray, Gina Worman, Noel Hingston and Estelle Docteur.

Service awards went to Fiara Leo, Eric Rhett, Jr., Shariff Elhagin, Ruth Alerte and Alina Tyndall.

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Sign of the times... Ron Naples '81 and his wife, Beth McNeilly Naples '81, stand next to one of the signs they donated marking the lush Alumni Green.

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141.

July 15: Bus Trip to see the New York Mets vs. Toronto Blue Jays at Shea Stadium
Bus will depart from behind the Student Center at 10:30 a.m. Cost: $36, includes transportation.

Sept. 15: Golf Outing
For more information, see page 11.

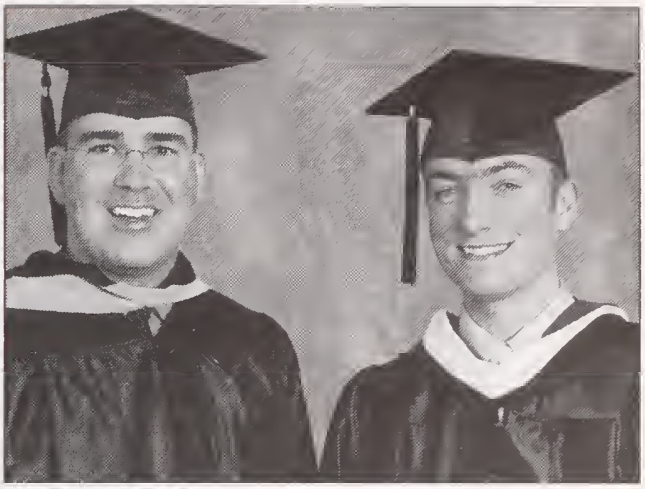
Oct. 6: Homecoming 2001
Plans are still underway, but mark your calendars now for a day of fun and excitement, including the annual Homecoming Parade down Valley Road.

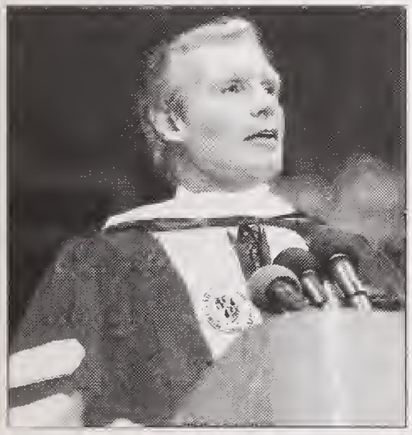
As the date nears, check out Montclair State's Web site at www.montclair.edu for a complete schedule of events.

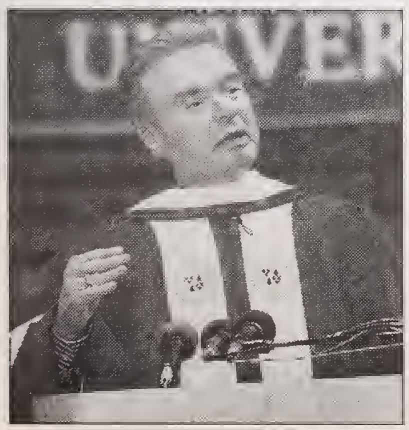
May 4: Alumni Weekend
Reunion classes ending in 2 and 7. Save the date.

Class of 2001

Surrounded by friends and family, Montclair State University's class of 2001 celebrated commencement at a ceremony May 25 at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford. Pictured (clockwise from right) James Feeney (left) brought greetings from the graduate students while Kevin Hancock spoke on behalf of the senior class; for the seventh consecutive year, senior faculty member Evan Maletsky of Mathematical Sciences led the academic procession as the grand marshal; members of the class of 1951 enjoyed the ceremony as they celebrated their 50th graduation anniversary (pictured [front row, from left] are Ann O'Connell Gebhard, Syd Salt, Sara Shadd Orr, Ann Pinda, Louis Gebhard [back row, from left] Arthur Engelken, Juanita High, Catherine Buce, Elinore Hahn Todt ant Traude Teutsch Pins); honorary degree recipient Gordon Bethune, CEO of Continental Airlines Arena, offers graduates words of wisdom; businessman and philanthropist Raymond Chambers accepted his honorary degree and pledged a $50,000 gift in honor of the class of 2001; Emily "Cissy" Houston was all smiles after receiving an honorary degree; and graduates applauded their accomplishment under a shower of confetti.







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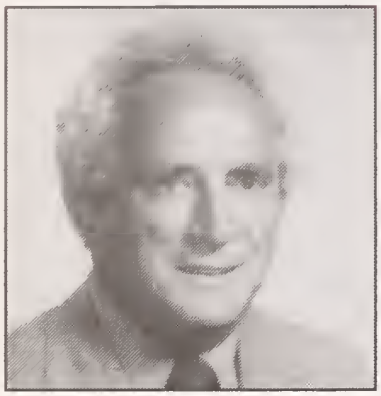
Edith Hirschoff Glick '70 M.A. stepped down as chair of the Southern Florida chapter of the New Jersey Retired Teachers Association.



Harold Lefcourt

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Harold Lefcourt was elected to the board of directors of the United States Committee on Sports for Israel.

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Leonard Blessing '51 M.A. is the first high school teacher to be elected to the International Committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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Mary Beth Oliger McDonald is director of clinical services at COPE (Counseling, Outreach, Prevention and Education), serving Verona and Montclair. A member agency of the United Way, COPE seeks to provide affordable, quality health care services.

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Carmine A. Loffredo, a professor at Essex County College has retired after 32 years of service.

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Madeleine Greene Wojciechowski was named Extension Educator of the Year by the National Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences.

John A. Koumoulides '61 M.A. was elected Honorary Fellow of Harris Manchester College at the University of Oxford.

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H. Lynne Magonigal Rogers retired from Audubon High School after teaching for 25 years. Rogers has since been commissioned as an associate in ministry at the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, and is now the director of Urban Promise Academy, a home school for urban teens.

Janet Kurland has created three-dimensional artwork, which has been exhibited at galleries and juried shows. She has taught art for 28 years.

Michael J. Ambrosia, a professor of law at Seton Hall University, had his article, "Legal Realism," published in *New Jersey Lawyer*.

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Robert A. Winter has become superintendent of schools in Glynn County, Ga.

67

John Bryce resumed his teaching career after spending 17 years in Washington, D.C. doing federal contracting. He is a computer science teacher at McDonough High School in Georgia.

Rosalie Rotz Saferstein writes "Table Hopping With Rosie," published on the Internet as part of *New Jersey Monthly* magazine. Her work has been cited in Andrew Dornenburg and Karen Page's *Internet Guide to Restaurant Review Resources* and *Dining Out*.

Anthony P. Marino '79 M.A. has been appointed Essex County superintendent of schools.

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Patricia L. Schall co-authored *Protecting the Right to Teach and Learn: Power, Politics, and Public Schools,* a case study that examines censorship and other issues faced by educators. She is chair of the Education Department at the College of Saint Elizabeth in Morristown, where she also teaches.

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David Mair has turned everyday events into the basis for inventing games. The Tooth Fairy Game was invented after his daughter's tooth came out in a restaurant. Among numerous other games to his credit are Don't Panic, Diggity Dog, Sealed With a Kiss and Bent Out of Shape.

Kurt Epps was voted Teacher of the Month by students at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark. He has also been recognized for his writing as a beer critic, and was honored by the North American Beer Writers Guild, receiving three Quill and Tankard awards.

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Mary Manger Reece, principal of Menlo Park School in Edison, has been elected to the board of directors of the National Association of Elementary School Principals.

Mari-Jo Marra Policastro '74 M.A. performed on piano at Trinity Parish in Bayonne. She teaches at St. John Vianney High School in Holmdel.

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James Moriarty went from firefighter to TV star, playing the part of criminal Carl Ramone in "The Chippendales Murder."

Joanna Lettorale Sisco '79 M.A. was named Educator of the Year by the New Jersey Business Education Association.

Jean Jaeger M.A., a first-grade teacher at South End School in Cedar Grove, is retiring after more than 30 years of teaching. Jaeger is one of four Cedar Grove teachers honored this year in the annual Governor's Teacher Recognition Program.

Alphonse Dattolo '79 M.A., who teaches Spanish and French at Glen Rock Middle School, hasn't missed teaching a class in 28 years, giving him more than 5,130 uninterrupted days of teaching.

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Georgiann Biggio Gongora received the Golden Lamp for Excellence in Educational Leadership from the New Jersey Association for Principals and Supervisors. She received the award for her work as director of Student Personnel Services for the Bayonne Board of Education, where she worked from 1994 to 2000.

Thomas Comiciotto has been named superintendent of schools in Alexandria, Va., and principal of the middle school.

Bessie Frazier M.A. has written *Exciting Stories and Plays* published by Vantage Press. The book targets problems facing young people and utilizes true-to-life situations to find solutions.

Alvin Rush M.A. was elected to the board of trustees of Family Connections. He is also president of MFG Consulting Inc., a financial sales consulting firm.

Mike Van Zile has championed a move that will allow school athletic teams to compete against others of equal size.

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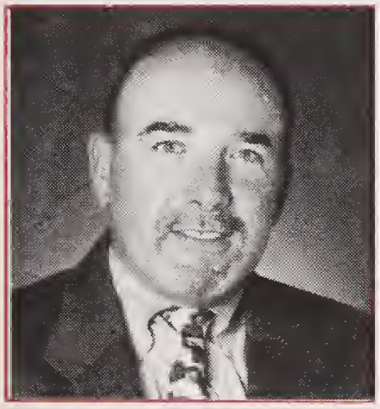
Victor DeLuca has been elected mayor of Maplewood.

Mary E. Heindel Paetzold has been elected to the board of directors of Immunomedics Inc., a biopharmaceuticals company.

Jack Ford '78 M.A., a teacher at Clark High School, was named Marketing Teacher of the Year for central New Jersey.

Joanne Martinowich Fritz is an applications design consultant with Automatic Data Processing in Roseland.

Patricia L. Stahnke Higgins has been named president and chief executive officer of Switch and Data Facilities in Tampa, Fla. She had been chief information officer and corporate vice president of ALCOA.



William A. Bleibdrey

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William A. Bleibdrey has been named vice president for budget and finance, and chief financial officer at Texas Wesleyan University.

Dennis Testa M.A. is assistant professor of English at Bergen Community College.

Denton Phillips M.A. directed the play "Criminal Hearts," which was performed at the Little Firehouse Theatre in Oradell.

Deborah V. H. Bruett Cook M.A., a kindergarten teacher at Forest Avenue School in Glen Ridge, was honored for 25 years of service in the Glen Ridge school system.

Jill Tekel is an associate at the United Jewish Federation.

Melody Sherwood Byrd-Alderman, a teacher at Long Branch High School, has been named Teacher of the Year and inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, the international honor society in education.

75

Susan Solleder, executive director of School Nutrition Programs for Jersey City public schools, computerized Jersey City schools so students can use their identification cards as their lunch cards. She also worked to provide Jersey City schools with an alternate accountability program, which facilitates free lunches for its students.

Leo L. Rios has been appointed chief financial officer at Ovid Technologies.

Ellyn A. McColgan has been elected president of Fidelity Investments Institutional Retirement Group. She also is a member of the operating committee of Fidelity Investments.

Mary Alice Lawless raised more than $5 million to start ClickUpdate, a digital media asset management company. Lawless has been chosen as a subject for the PBS series Small Business 2000 for an episode, "The Right Product at the Right Time," which is scheduled to air later this year.

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Joan M. Petti D'Uva has been promoted to senior manager in the litigation and valuation group at Amper, Politziner & Mattia.

Regina D. Kiczek earned a doctorate of education from Rutgers University. Her dissertation explored the development of probabilistic thinking in students. She is supervisor of K-8 mathematics for Westfield Public Schools.

Edward J. Lazor became a managing partner at KPMG in Short Hills.

Jack Rothenstein has been promoted to state tax consulting partner at Pricewaterhouse Coopers.

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Gary Hudes has been elected as a representative to the Sixth Council District for Hempstead, N.Y. He was also named Small Business Person of the Year by the Nassau Chambers of Commerce, and Man of the Year by the Nassau County Shields, and the School for Language and Communication Development.

Carol Sakowitz LeDonne is a copy editor for *The Record* in Hackensack, where she reads local and wire stories, and helps lay out pages.

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Reed Purcella M.A. has been appointed to the Bergen County Workforce Investment Board.

Annette Catino has been appointed to the board of directors of Liberty Bancorp, Inc.

James Clayton Jr. M.A. was appointed superintendent of schools in Roseland and principal of the Lester C. Noecker School.

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Chris Van Der Stadt was selected as fund raising chairperson for the United Way of Central New Jersey. He is president and chief financial officer of New Millennium Bank of New Brunswick.

Gregory L. Lockard M.A. has been named president of Floyd Hall Enterprises in Little Falls.

Anthony Lettorale has been named Educator of the Year by the New Jersey Marketing Education Association.

Walter Bilous was named senior broadcast maintenance engineer at Maryland Public Television.

Vivian Olshen, a painting instructor at the Jewish Community Center in West Orange, had her art exhibited in "Art at the Oval" at Memorial Park in Livingston.

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Larry Felder has his artwork in the book *In the Presence of Dinosaurs*, published by Time/Life.

Bruce Spidell is a math teacher at Boca Raton Christian School. He had been an actuary for 20 years prior to the career change.

Bonnie Maranz Kirsch M.A. had her artwork featured in a calendar aimed at raising money for the New Jersey Breast Cancer Research Fund. She has taught in schools throughout New Jersey and has conducted workshops in Bermuda and Italy.

Marie Sano Dreher was named senior vice president and chief financial officer of Millennium Inorganic Chemicals.

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David Browne is principal of Hawthorne High School.

Gerard T. Papetti has become president of U.S. Financial Services.

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Howard Becker has been named assistant vice present and branch manager of Commerce Bank of Springfield.

John A. Toleno was appointed superintendent of schools for North Warren Regional School District in Blairstown.

84

Glenn Kaufhold has been appointed vice president of development and marketing at the Medical Foundation of Boston.

Vincent P. Endres received Sarnoff Corporation's President's Award for his outstanding leadership in generating new business endeavors.

Sheila McKenna has been named chair of the Political Activities Committee of the Polish-American Congress. She also is chair of the Mental Health Watch Committee of the Transitional Services Group.

Donald McIver is vice president of human resources at the MWW Group in East Rutherford.

Maria A. Sceppaguercio was named head of Investor Relations for Staples, Inc. She formerly held that position at Nabisco.

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Diane Aslanis graduated from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey on an Air Force scholarship. She is in residency in obstetrics and gynecology in Far Rockaway, N.Y.

John Messina is teaching marketing and finance fundamentals at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

86

David Shehigian (formerly Yannacci) has been named executive director of the East Orange YMCA.

Barbara Benson-Duran was named Outstanding Assistant Principal of the Year in Hillsborough County, Fla.

Jim Stephens earned a master's degree in history from Monmouth University. His thesis was a 60-page "Guide to the Civil War Resources at the Monmouth County Historical Association."

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John K. Tiene became chief administrative officer for the Insurance Council of New Jersey.

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John J. Hurley M.A. has been promoted to principal at Rutherford High School.

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Kevin Bryla was selected as vice president of Communications for Ciba Specialty Chemicals. He also will assume the title of executive director of the Ciba Specialty Chemicals Foundation and oversee the company's Government Affairs office in Washington.

Susan Holzhauer English M.A. is a learning specialist at Kent Place Primary School in Summit.

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JoAnne Penn M.A. has been named president of the New Jersey State Nurses Association.

Nicole Caivano was elected to the board of directors of River Center. She owns a boutique, Mustillo's, in Red Bank.

Carl T. Cahill, Jr. earned a master's degree in public administration from Hayward University in California. He has been appointed planning director for Los Altos Hills, Calif.

Gail (Giancola) Louallo received a license in clinical social work.

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Domenic De Stefano presented his article, "The Field Guide to Veterans' Service Representative Training, A Web-Based Training Case Study," at the Interservice and Industry Training, Simulation and Education Conference held in Orlando, Fla.

Jeffrey Caswell teaches physical education and health at Bernards High School in Bernardsville.

Dawn Thornton joined Weichert Realtors' Westfield office as a sales associate.

Peter A. Aquino was elected to serve a second term as treasurer of the board of directors of the Head Start Community Project of Morris County.

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Piera Accumano, a manager at Prudential Insurance, is a recipient of the 12th annual New Jersey Theatre Group Applause Award.

Amy Van Varick Decker has joined Montclair State's Department of Accounting, Law and Taxation Department as a full-time faculty member.

Susan Friend was profiled in *Riverview Lifestyles* as a promising songwriter who is "going places."

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John Paterek is a design engineer at Adesta Communications in Omaha, Neb.

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Richard Kunze was appointed business administrator for the Highland Park Borough Council.

Stephanie Abeles was named marketing director for Avantgold Jewelers of Tampa, Fla.

Mike Weaver went from working in a bar band to offering an interactive, instructive, hands-on experience for kids. He incorporates MIDI technology into a performance to show the audience how modern electronics can be incorporated into making music.

Doug Pfister M.A. has enhanced existing life insurance policies at State Farm Insurance Company to better serve his clients.

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Thomas W. Antonucci was appointed interim councilman in Keyport. He works in Manhattan for a financial services firm.

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Samuel Bill M.A. conducted "L'Histoire du Soldat" by Igor Stravinsky as part of a concert, "Music of the 20th Century: A Brief Look Back."

Helen Loizou M.A. performed for children at the North Arlington Public Library. The vocalist included such favorites as "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer" and "Frosty the Snowman."

Annette Giancaspro is a physical education teacher in Hawthorne.

Charles D. Miller was promoted to supervising senior in the Accounting Department at Druker, Rahl & Fein.

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Kamaljit Bhamra was one of 22 new teachers hired at James Caldwell High School. She teaches viola and cello.

Joann Michelle Munoz returned from Namibia, Africa where she volunteered her time with the Peace Corps.

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Robert Mataranglo began work on a 115-foot-wide, 15-foot-tall mural in Long Branch that will feature giant beach balls, umbrellas and a seagull with a 30-ft. wingspan. It will be the largest painting in Long Branch.

Stephen Catalano graduated from the Morris County Police Academy and received the Academy's Physical Fitness Award.

Irene Fitzpatrick M.A. has joined Summit High School's Theatre Arts Department. She has performed on stage around the world.

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Nicholas Cicarelli was hired as a physical education teacher at Chatham High School.

Joseph Cirigliano teaches social studies at South Plainfield High School.

Lucy Capello was named supervisor of Special Services for the Rutherford school district.

Thomas Colli teaches seventh-grade math at Belleville Middle School.

Cynthia Barrington M.A. teaches pre-kindergarten at Linden Avenue School in Glen Ridge.

Ribhi Huzien, along with activists and documentary filmmakers, visited Palestine to foster U.S. public awareness of the plight of Palestinian refugees.

Nanette Rotonda M.A. was promoted to vice principal of Belleville High School.

Alumni Weekend 2001

Alumni of all ages had the opportunity to reminisce about the past, relish in the present and dream about the future at this year's Alumni Weekend, where the theme, "Then and Now," aptly described the day's sentiments.

At the 50+ Coffee, alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago gathered for an exchange of memories about the early days at Montclair State. Then the Alumni Association held its annual meeting, followed by the luncheon.

Alumni Citation Awards were presented to Peg Margaret Rhodes '80 and William Bingham '50, and Outstanding Faculty Awards were presented to Saundra-Collins of the Psychology Department, Leslie Wilson of the History Department and Linda Roberts Alexanderson of the Theatre and Dance Department.

Retiring faculty also were recognized. They included Marcha Flint, Barry Jacobs, Naomi Schiff Myers, John Hwang, Albert Rossetti and Lee Primiano.

The Margaret and Herman Sokol Award for International Study and Research was presented to Brenda Paradiso-Kunz while the Margaret and Herman Sokol Graduate Fellowship in Science was awarded to Tin-Chun Chu and Christine Bray.

Alumni had the opportunity to take a bus tour to see what's new around campus before joining the official kickoff of the Amphitheater Restoration Project.

Concluding the day's event was the Class Reunion Cocktail Party and Dinner Dance.

Ronald Englehardt '41 (left) and Gregory Carlton Mickelson '42 sing the alma mater, written by Evelyn Hock Walter '25, at the conclusion of the luncheon.

Jim McGilvray '41, a former member of the Alumni Association Board, and his wife, Joan, enjoy a moment on the dance floor.

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Margaret Hait (right), president of the Alumni Association, presents a check for $125,000 toward the amphitheater restoration project to Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. The $500,000 project, which includes improvements to the landscaping and lighting, will be funded entirely by alumni giving.

Gregory Waters (left), vice president for Institutional Advancement, trades stories with James Gordon '51 and Richard Sparrow, husband of Lillian Nunally '51, at the breakfast.

At the luncheon, Montclair State President Susan A. Cole (center) enjoys a light moment with Helen Sacks Itkin '51 (left) and Susana Sotillo of Linguistics, who is the faculty representative on the University's Board of Trustees.

Memory lane leads to the amphitheater

The following are some of the many letters we received in response to the front-page article, "Memories of a special place," in the spring 2001 issue of Alumni Life.

Many alumni correctly pointed out that we misidentified the photo of the Modern Dance Club as being from the 1940 LaCampagna *when, in fact, it is from the 1949 yearbook.*

We encourage readers to continue sending their reminiscences about the amphitheater and their experiences at Montclair State, and we will continue to publish them in future issues. Due to limited space, some letters may be edited.

For information about the amphitheater restoration project, call the Development Office at 973-655-5454.

Thanks to the many alumni who were able to identify some of the people in this photo of the Modern Dance Club that appeared in the 1949 LaCampagna. *The men in the photo are identified as (from left) Gene Stempler, Lee Walsky and Marty Zwillman. Pictured fourth from left is Margaret Scafati, today better known as Congresswoman Marge Roukema.*

After reading the story and seeing the pictures of the amphitheater, I'm compelled to write about my recollection of this beautiful area on campus.

I remember the red freshman beanies, and the orientation meetings, barbeque and concert at the amphitheater. The fall weather was warm during the day and cool at night. I felt that college was going to be fun. In fact, I thought it was heaven! The serene setting helped to set the tone for the year ahead.

After my first class, I realized how fortunate I was to have those orientation days because the hard work had begun. I will always have fond memories of the amphitheater as the start to my college days and I hope President Cole and the rest of the college community will work hard to preserve and protect that wonderful piece of history.

My daughter graduated from American University in Washington, D.C. and they, too, have an amphitheater where orientation and other types of activities take place. But it is nothing compared to MSU!

Barbara (Fidacaro) Ronca '70

I enjoyed reading "Memories of a special place." It brought back very special memories for me. In September of 1971, on my 19th birthday, my boyfriend proposed to me on bended knee at the amphitheater. During our days as students at Montclair State, it remained our special place. Joe and I were married the day before my graduation and we will celebrate our 27th anniversary in June.

Marianne McGrath '74

I was a theater major back in 1985-86 when The Players had a rehearsal in the amphitheater. It was a twilight, serene, calming pre-eve; light winds, good camaraderie, stalwart friends that remain bonded. Oh, the laughing! How dreamscape it was, talking and performing.

We essayed our past, present and future, the sad and happy times. I sat on one of the upper tiers working out an idea for a play. There aren't words enough to describe them, moods and emotions are it. I have a boundless nostalgia for Montclair State, the "amp," as it was termed, indeed Life Hall, all of it. I will forever be loyal to "my home" and tend faithfully to its care.

Joe Caruso '87

The recent issue of *Alumni Life* spurred a flow of memories for me. The amphitheater was a special place for many of us who lived right beside it. Because our housing was shared by as many as eight men, privacy for studying was not a sure thing. The quiet of a corner of the amphitheater was a welcome haven. I have fond memories of receiving a master's degree there on a hot June day in 1952. Yes it was hot, but that haven was pleasantly cool.

The picture of the Modern Dance Club [shown in the last issue] featured members of Montclair's first undefeated football team. The men featured are Lee Walsky, Gene Stempler and Marty Zwillman. Coach Coder saw to it that the Modern Dance Club was co-ed.

George H. Stager '50

As a member of the then college's a cappella choir, I am still able to sing at least one or two verses of "March on, O Soul, with Strength," alto only. It was the graduation processional, recessional hymn, and we sang it at other events held outdoors. In my years, it never rained on those events.

Restoration of the amphitheater is a wonderful idea!

Dorothy Kenlan Petersen '56

As a member of the Modern Dance Club, my memories of the amphitheater have much to do with dance. I also participated in the Foreign Language Festivals in the amphitheater. In the '40s and into the '50s, before Montclair expanded so, it was known as the foremost school for education of teachers of languages—modern as well as classical.

I hope to come back to see the amphitheater once it has been refurbished. While I have seen most of the famous amphitheaters of antiquity, I shall retain the memories of and intimate conversations with friends at the amphitheater at Montclair State.

Kathryn Musso Lacey '50

The article "Memories of a special place" did, indeed, bring back special memories for me of both lighthearted and milestone occasions in the amphitheater.

Living on campus—Russ Hall, 1945-1947—was a privilege and a great experience in innumerable ways. I spent many relaxing hours in the amphitheater. I also vividly recall being there for concerts with the a cappella choir and for the baccalaureate and commencement ceremonies in 1949.

Barbara Snyder '49

Editor's Note: We would like to thank Ms. Snyder for sending the record of the 1949 commencement highlights as well as a copy of the May 1, 1951 "Almanac." We are grateful to receive this memorabilia.

Barbara Zoch Snyder, Natalie Paynton, Terry Melli and Ann Zittema enjoyed relaxing in the amphitheater.

Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Best wishes to **Dr. Hazel M. Wacker** '33 who celebrated her 90th birthday in May. We wish you many more in good health.

Bud Fisher '53 has been a golfer for 33 years and in his retirement has managed to play three or four times a week. The all-elusive "hole in one" was sunk at last while playing in a San Diego golf league. Congratulations!

Mal Simon '54 and **John Reeves '58** had six soccer books published a while back and they will now be published in Spanish, Chinese and Turkish. You obviously have some terrific techniques to be shared with many. Good stuff guys.

Ann Ward Jenkins '56 along with daughter, Lisa, had a long, wonderful tour of China, sharing in its history and building many memories together. Just before Ann took off on another trip she joined classmates for a get together breakfast in New Jersey. (Ann lives in Seattle.) Soon after, it was off to Holland for the tulip festival with a longtime friend. What a life!

Corrine Wisniewski '56 and her husband, **Paul** '56, picked a great time of year to vacation at their home in Colorado. Although Paul would rather be on a golf course, I'm sure he and Corrine had a blast with the great snowfalls that made for terrific skiing.

Lois Madden Kelly '56 snowmobiled almost 200 miles in the Alaskan wilderness, an unforgettable experience that began with 10 1/2 hours of flight delays due to the earthquake in Seattle. When we finally landed in Anchorage for a one-day walking tour and to watch the start of the Iditarod the next day, there was no snow! That problem was solved easily by the Alaskans who trucked in snow for 24 hours —no sleep for anyone, including tourists. The ceremonial start of the dog sledding races from got off without a hitch the following day as did the 2001 International Winter Special Olympics.

Doris Nielsen Miller '57 recently spent two weeks in Seattle Wash. visiting her daughter, Paula, who is a veterinarian. Doris accompanied her daughter on the daily rounds, which she said was a terrific learning experience as well a special time spent with her daughter.

Judith Powell Howard '60 and husband, Whitey, have been enjoying retirement to the fullest, visiting many areas in the states as well as Australia and New Zealand. The duo did an eco-tour on their own, experiencing the rain forest, aboriginal villages and seeing every animal that inhabits these lands. To add to their many activities, Whitey also shoots competitively and has won four bronze medals.

Forty years can speed right on by as experienced by **Bob Thourot** '61 and **Dom Deo** '64. That's how long it has been since the baseball teammates saw each other. They met again on the field as opponents at a softball tournament in Morristown. Dom has played organized softball in multiple leagues and has traveled around the nation with a New Jersey tournament team.

Anita Blomberg '69 has actively coordinated the Jump Rope for Heart programs for 12 years in her school district. collecting more than $50,000 for the American Heart Association. She has received the Governor's Outstanding Elementary Teacher Award, the Judy and Josh Weston Award for Excellence in Teaching, and the the New Jersey Teacher of the Year Award. As if this is not enough, Anita has been officiating at field hockey for 33 years and has been selected to officiate at the N.J. State Championship games at least 18 times. And in your spare time?

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Marriages

Elizabeth McClure '87 to John Cole

Bonnie Marie Campbell '85
to Allen Dean Paterson

Kathleen L. Adorna '97
to **John Paterek '93**

Mark J. Mitrenga '90
to Theresa Nimmer

Marisol Ramirez '93
to Peter L. Morales

Births

To **Robert L. Donald '85** and his wife, Marjorie, triplets Robert Louis Jr., Melissa Ann and Philip James, born May 18, 2000.

To **Dawn E. (Smith) Sutton '86** and her husband, Robert, a son Joshua William, born Sept. 28, 2000.

To **Gail (Giancola) Louallo '89**, a daughter, Alexis, born in January 2000.

To **Michele (Hartwyk) Cartier '87** and her husband, John, a son Jason Nicholas, born Dec. 21, 2000.

To **Kelly A. (Brooman) Rossetto '89** and her husband, **John '88**, a daughter, Shannon Elise, born June 27, 2000.

To **Howard "Chip" Hyde '90** and his wife, Theresa, a boy, Darren Patrick, born April 24, 2001.

In Memoriam

Nellie Hastings '20
Gertrude Bruley '21
Grace E. Conner '23
Mildred Shafer Wolford '24
Fannie Diener Honigfeld '26
Harriet E. Brown '28
Evelyn A. Olson '28
George E. Miele '32
Richard W. Miller '32 '36 M.A.
Virginia M. Ryan Turner '32
Frances Gail Nicholson '33
Helen Merselis Chiocca '34
Martha Katherine Stafford (Renne) '34
Emma Fantone '36, '37 M.A.
Mary McDede '37
Charles A. Dreeland '38
Izora Eaves Stephens '38 '42 M.A.
Violet Ann Johnston Harms '38
Francis J. Mulvihill '39
Walter J. Fleischer '41
Herman D. Knuppel '41
Alex Sabo '42
Pompey Mainardi '43 M.A.
Jeanne M. (Frazier) Thomas '44
Catherine Schaffer Airey '45
Bernard A. Smith '48 '49 M.A.
Ciro E. Zoppo '48
Eber L. Christie '49
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Kenneth Toler '70
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Angelene Allen '73 M.A.
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Virginia A. Van Duyne '79 M.A.

Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks' winter sports fared. For a schedule of upcoming athletic events, call 973-746-6248.

Men's Basketball

A year after capturing the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III Metro Championship, the men's basketball team, led by Head Coach Ted Fiore, finished 11-13, 6-12 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC). Montclair won both of its in-season tournaments. At the Dr. Kleppinger Tip-Off Tournament, Ben Martinez nailed a jumper at the buzzer to lift Montclair to the championship. The team then captured the Billy Martucci Holiday Tournament as Omar Boothe sank the winning basket with 11 seconds left as the Red Hawks edged Lebanon Valley, 61-60. Senior guard Jermel Mayo closed out a fine career finishing as Montclair State's all-time assist leader with 578. Mayo was selected to compete in the NJAC-CUNYAC Senior All-Star Challenge at New Jersey City University where he finished with nine points and five assists. Sophomore guard Michael Yearwood set a new Montclair State record with 54 career three-point field goals.

Women's Basketball

With a new coach at the helm, the women's basketball team returned to postseason reaching the semifinals of the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III Metro Championship. Head coach Lisa Pleban guided the Red Hawks to a 15-11 mark, 11-7 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) missing out on the NJAC tournament by one game. Senior forward Marlena Lawrence and sophomore guard Lakeesha Langston were each named Second-Team All-NJAC, while Lawrence earned a spot on the All-Metropolitan Area Division III women's team. Lawrence, who became the 10th player in the program's history to top the 1,000-point mark, finished her career with 1,280 points, sixth on the all-time Montclair State scoring list.

Wrestling

The Red Hawks, who went 13-3 in dual matches this season, finished seventh at the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Wrestling Championships. Florian Ghinea earned his third All-American honor placing third at 141 pounds. Freshman Alex Aliakseyenka and Brad Christie also garnered All-American accolades at 184 and 174 pounds, respectively. Montclair State captured its third straight Metropolitan Conference tournament held at The College of New Jersey as the Red Hawks won five of the 10 individual weight classes. Head coach Steve Strellner was named the Metropolitan Conference Coach of the Year for the fourth consecutive season. Strellner was inducted into the National Wrestling Coaches Association (NWCA) Hall of Fame, becoming the fifth member of the MSU wrestling program to be honored. Montclair also competed in the Cliff Keen/NWCA Wrestling Duals at Penn State that featured many of the top Division I teams in the nation.

Swimming

The Montclair State women's swimming team earned a spot on the 2001 All-New Jersey Athletic Conference Swimming and Diving Team, as the Red Hawks' 400 medley relay quartet of Elissa Kaplan, Deena Hamdan, Danielle Florio and Regina Potocine were named to the Second Team. Florio set a school record in the 1,650 freestyle at the Metropolitan Swimming and Diving Championships as the MSU women took fourth place. Sophomore Eddie Fernandez helped the men to a sixth-place showing at the same meet scoring points in the 200 individual medley, 100 and 200 breaststrokes.

Indoor Track and Field

The Red Hawks qualified six athletes to the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Indoor Track and Field Championships held at Wisconsin-Oshkosh, where sophomore Alex Yalj finished 13th in the women's high jump. Prior to the championships, the men's team took second at the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Indoor Track and Field Championships at the 18th Street Armory. The team compiled 88.5 points, finishing second behind The College of New Jersey. Tom Baldwin was named the Outstanding Male Athlete of the meet. Darryl Louis was named Outstanding Male Track Athlete and Nick Gregorio was selected as the Outstanding Male Field Athlete. Head Coach Bennie Benson was chosen as the NJAC Co-Coach of the Year. On the women's side, Tierra Hicks won the 400 meters in leading the Red Hawks to an eighth place finish.

Athletes honored at All-Sports Banquet

Several athletes were honored at the 2000-2001 All-Sports Banquet held May 8 at the Valley Regency in Clifton. Here are this year's award winners:

Freshman Male Athlete—Eduard Aliakseyenka, wrestling
Freshman Female Athlete—Lea Smith, field hockey
Sophomore Male Athlete—Darryl Louis, track and field
Sophomore Female Athlete—Tierra Hicks, track and field
Junior Male Athlete—Brian Ellerson, baseball
Junior Female Athlete—Christin Cifelli, women's soccer
Senior Male Athlete—Dave Wurst, baseball
Senior Female Athlete—Maggie Findlay, women's soccer
Male Outstanding Athlete—Craig Conway, baseball
Female Outstanding Athlete—Kim Caruso, softball

Senior Athlete Award (highest GPA)— Scott Hall, men's lacrosse, and Sharon Bray, women's golf
James L. Poet Sportsmanship Award—Florian Ghinea, wrestling
Henry Schmidt Award (men's basketball defensive player)—Harold Williams
Stick 'Em Award (men's lacrosse)—Nick Bombardier

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Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole poses for Don Standing, a photographer for The New York Times, *for a picture that accompanied a recent* Times *article. The University has been attracting media attention for its ambitious plans for growth. Here, Cole stands on the site of The Red Hawk Diner, the first diner to be built on a college campus in the state, and possibly the nation.*

Meeting the needs of the state

University prepares for more students

BY RITA ROONEY

Some may call it a matter of supply and demand. The demand for higher education in New Jersey is greater than it has ever been. Once considered a privilege for the fortunate few, access to higher education is now a necessity. Consequently, the supply—opportunities for affordable, quality education in our state—needs to grow.

Predictions suggesting that in 2008 New Jersey will have close to 19,000 more high school graduates than it did this year have higher education officials looking at ways to meet the needs of the state and its citizens. Montclair State University is in the forefront and already putting a plan into action.

"We are the second largest university in the state and the most comprehensive in our sector in range and size of both undergraduate and graduate programs," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. "We have a talented and strong faculty and, perhaps most critical, this is an ambitious institution. We have the will to maximize our importance to the state."

That will has generated bold expansion plans that include growing from an enrollment of 13,500 students to 18,000 by 2008 and building a 900-bed residence hall complex, the University's first parking structure, a state-of-the-art theater, a new academic building and a comprehensive children's center.

The University's expansion is driven by New Jersey's population explosion among high school students, its increasing demand for an educated and technologically competent workforce, and its need to respond to the challenges of diversity and the cultural dimensions of the 21st century.

Darryl Greer, executive director of the New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities (NJASCU), commends Montclair State's expansion initiatives. "These plans directly address NJASCU's call to increase enrollment at four-year public colleges and universities by 15,000 students statewide before 2008," he said. "Its focus illustrates how Montclair State, with visionary leadership, is tracking and responding to growth in demand and demographic change affecting college opportunity."

Assemblyman E. Scott Garrett '81 (R-24th Dist.) concurs. "Competition for New Jersey students from colleges and universities across the Northeast is increasing, and it can be partially met by the proposed expansion at the University," he said. "In that spirit, I congratulate my alma mater and offer whatever help I can as an alumnus and state legislator. It is a cause I look forward to serving."

How severe is the need facing New Jersey? "We rank an abysmal 44th out of 50 states in the number

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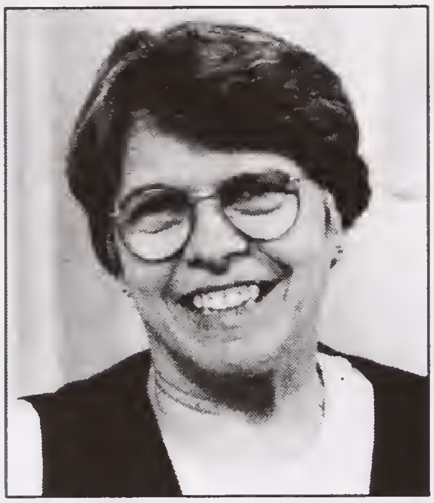
The Inside Track

One day during the summer, while I was doing volunteer work, an acquaintance greeted me with "I can't believe you volunteer *here*, too. Haven't you ever learned to say 'no' ?"

I didn't know whether it was meant as a compliment or criticism. Perhaps I do volunteer more of my time and talents than the average person. That remark did start me thinking about why I volunteer so much of my time to others, and made me wonder why some people don't do more. Let me share with you some of the motivations that inspire me to volunteer. To:



Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

Share a skill. Almost every type of skill is needed somewhere. Whether it is a professional skill, a hobby or recreational talent, someone, somewhere could become a better person with your help.

Feel needed. Don't we all have this need? While many feel uncomfortable "taking" something from volunteer work, sharing with others is good for the heart and soul.

Gain leadership skills. Had anyone suggested to me as a student that I would become president of anything I would have laughed. My leadership skills developed out of involvement with many organizations.

Do my civic duty. Somewhere along the line I learned that when you take something you give something back. This is, I believe, the basis for much of my volunteer work. I received a fine education at Montclair State, now it's my turn to give something back by ensuring that future generations have the same opportunities.

Have an impact. One of my biggest pet peeves is people who complain about how things are done, and yet they don't do anything to make a difference. Get involved and have a say.

Make new friends. I have met so many people and made wonderful friends through my work at Montclair. Montclair State alumni are wonderful folks.

Help someone. Most people find themselves in need at some point in their lives. Your help can make someone's life better.

Feel good. The aforementioned acquaintance suggested that I find time to "do something for myself." She found it difficult to understand that by doing something for other people I was doing something for myself.

Because you were asked. Montclair State University Alumni Association would not exist without the hard work of dedicated volunteers. We are fortunate to have a paid staff of faithful workers, but we also need you. The Nominating Committee will be meeting soon. I hope you will consider my request to volunteer and become involved. Every level of volunteerism helps both you and the Alumni Association. To nominate an alumnus/a for the Alumni Association Executive Board, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141 for a nomination form, or contact me at mhait@westwood.k12.nj.us.

Did I mention the best reason to volunteer? It's fun!

And to answer the question "Haven't you learned to say 'no' ?" Eleanor Roosevelt said, "When you cease to make a contribution, you begin to die." I'm not ready for that yet.

You will read a lot in this issue about how Montclair State University is growing in both size and scope. For many of our alumni, this is familiar territory. Over the years, you have watched, supported and encouraged Montclair State's growth into what is now the second largest university in the state.

Today, the demand for higher education has never been greater, and over the next decade New Jersey will have the fifth largest population increase in the nation and the fifth largest increase in high school graduates.

Susan A. Cole
President
Montclair State University

Once again, Montclair State is taking action. Preparing to meet the needs of 18,000 students by 2008, we are embarking on an ambitious plan to build new student housing, a state-of-the-art instructional facility, a new theater and a parking facility to accommodate our growing campus.

Unfortunately, the University's efforts to meet the needs of the state and its students could result in less funding. Under the current process, public colleges and universities not only have no incentive to grow, they have an incentive *not* to grow because enrollments are not taken into account when the state appropriates money to public colleges and universities. Simply put, universities that grow receive less funding per student than those that keep their enrollments down. Montclair State University, for example, receives the lowest level of per-student funding of any public college or university in New Jersey, precisely because we have grown to meet the urgent state need for more enrollments.

I have been a vocal supporter of eliminating the existing fiscal disincentive to increase capacity by recognizing enrollments as a factor in determining a public college or university's appropriation. By doing so, the governor and the legislature would send a message that they want these institutions to grow to serve the needs of New Jersey's citizens. Otherwise, Montclair State and its sister institutions will have no choice but to turn away bright New Jersey students who seek admission to our institutions. Those students will have to leave our state, and studies show that the odds of an individual taking a job in his/her home state decrease tenfold if the individual leaves the state to attend college.

New Jersey is at a critical juncture in its history. Even without the projected population growth, we are already exporting 60 percent of our college-bound high school seniors to out-of-state institutions, the highest out-migration rate in the nation. We can continue to lack sorely needed capacity at our public colleges and universities and continue to export more of the best and brightest of our young to other states, or we can meet our citizens' demands for higher education by increasing the number of spaces available at state institutions of higher education.

Montclair State has always prided itself on being a place of opportunity for ambitious and bright New Jerseyans. I want us to continue to be able to fulfill that mission. The state's prosperity depends on it.

University garners $3.2 million in state grants for teacher education programs

Montclair State University has received more than $3.2 million in state grants for programs that promote teacher education.

A $2.5 million High-Tech Workforce Excellence Grant will fund the Middle Grade Mathematics Science Teacher Education Project (MGM-STEP). The grant is one of nine chosen by the state from among 58 proposals for technology-related programs to help satisfy burgeoning demand for qualified workers in the state's high-tech economy. A total of $15 million in grants was awarded under this program.

"I'm excited about this grant because it offers us an opportunity to expand our work in preparatory and professional development of math and science teachers in New Jersey," said Dr. Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services. "Part of the project will enable us to recruit 60 new teachers desperately needed in the state's public schools. The project will focus on professional development for middle school teachers in our partner districts who are members of the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal."

The University also received a $748,500 Teacher Effectiveness Grant to create an Urban Teaching Academy that will recruit, prepare and support transfer students for pre-k through third grade certification to teach in Abbott district preschools. Montclair State and three other schools were selected from among the 17 that competed for the grants by creating innovative ways to train teachers. The amount of grants in this program totaled $3 million.

The state also awarded an additional $7 million that will be split among all 21 public and private colleges to improve their teacher education departments, hire new faculty and produce nearly 1,000 additional teachers.

The Urban Teaching Academy will be an extension of the University's successful pilot project and an extension of collaborative work already being done with county colleges.

"I hope this will go a long way toward demonstrating what we already know—that excellent teaching makes excellent students," said Cynthia Onore, director of the Center for Pedagogy. As part of Montclair State's new program, students will receive college scholarships in exchange for agreeing to work in Newark and Paterson schools for three years after they graduate.

"We're building on long-standing relationships we have with teachers in Newark and Paterson to re-design co-teaching curriculum and work with students in their field. We're giving them work experience," said Onore. "To do the best jobs with our students we need to work closely with those teachers."

In addition to supporting MGM-STEP, the High-Tech Workforce Excellence Grant will provide a professional development program that features summer institutes, mini-courses, a new M.A. program and certificate program in middle school math, a new concentration in middle school math in the M.Ed. program, online support, and classroom coaching and mentoring. More than 500 teachers will be directly impacted by the grant.

"The road to developing a world-class economy in New Jersey begins with high-tech workforce training," acting Gov. Donald T. DiFrancesco said at the July 27 meeting of the New Jersey Higher Education Commission when both grants were awarded. "The world we send our graduates into each year is continually becoming more global, and they need up-to-date technical skills to succeed. By providing greater investment in the programs that supply these skills, we respond directly to the needs of New Jersey's employers."

Alumni Profile

Nel Noddings '49

BY RITA ROONEY

When someone as highly regarded in the field of education as Nel Noddings '49 says the University's plan for growth is a no-brainer, it's an endorsement that Montclair is heading not only in the right direction, but the only direction.

"This is the direction we must take," said Noddings, a Jacks Professor Emerita at Stanford University, three-time recipient of Stanford's coveted Excellence in Teaching Award, author of more than a dozen books and creator of a growing movement in education. "I'm proud Montclair State is taking the lead. It's no more than we owe the students of New Jersey. I think it is wonderful."

And what has captured Noddings' imagination the most, perhaps, are the possibilities and opportunities that will result from two grants the University recently received from Commission on Higher Education for programs to promote teacher education. It was at Montclair State, Noddings said, where she was given an invaluable and enduring gift—a solid preparation for teaching. "I learned to prepare myself, not the lesson, and that has served me well," she said.

That preparation has guided Noddings for more than five decades. It is apparent that the memories are as vivid as the experiences themselves. It was her first day in the classroom and the young teacher made an effort to match the enthusiasm of the sixth graders confronting her, even though she would rather have been facing a high school math class. The year was 1949 and, like her fellow graduates at Montclair State, Noddings went where the jobs were. That led her to Woodbury, N.J., where she would teach all subjects to the same group of students for three years as they progressed from sixth through eighth grade.

She couldn't have known on that eventful first day how her imaginative approach to teaching would gain national recognition or how the youngsters whom fate had placed in her care would be inescapably influenced by the intrinsic talent she brought to her craft.

Noddings is considered an expert in the field today, and her students, even her first ones who are nearing retirement age, remember and treasure her lessons. "Some came from different parts of the country to see me [at a recent reunion,]" she said. "It was wonderful, and so meaningful, too, because that's where my ethic of caring began."

She says the genesis of that philosophy and the subject of many of her books were born in Woodbury. Caring, she claims, is the essence of relationship between student and teacher.

"It comes down to motivational displacement," she says. "We learn to move from what we want to what others need. Those being cared for must contribute as well and it is that response that prompts the caring person to continue giving."

Translating history

By Anne McDarby

They are three unique historic figures: Seneca, the Roman philosopher, statesman and dramatist who lived during the first century A.D.; Sarah Bernhardt, the flamboyant and independent French actress who was one of the best known figures of the 19th century; and Juliette Drouet, the mistress of French poet and playwright Victor Hugo for nearly 50 years. At first glance they share little in common, but to Dr. Victoria S. Tietze Larson, there is a common thread that ties these figures together in literary history. Larson is coordinator of Montclair State's General Humanities program, which follows the path of the humanities from ancient times through the ages. During her 12-year tenure at MSU she has researched and authored books about Seneca and Bernhardt, and is currently at work on a book about Drouet.

The professor also teaches Latin as Language and Literature and feels her roles as teacher and author complement one another. "I try to emphasize in my classes how Latin has functioned as one of the major conduits for the transmission of humanistic expression from antiquity to modern times," she explained. "Seneca was one of the most influential of ancient Roman writers and philosophers on western thought throughout the ages. Bernhardt and Drouet were on the receiving end of this great tradition and took part in its interpretation in however a humble or popularizing way."

Larson's interest in the humanities came early in her academic life. "My undergraduate degree at Oxford was a joint degree in Latin literature and French, so I have always been interested in both the ancient world and the modern, especially as the humanities have been transmitted from one to the other," she said. Larson received a doctorate in Roman studies from McMaster University in Ontario. She joined Montclair State's Department of Classics and General Humanities in 1988.

Larson's first book, *The Role of Description in Senecan Tragedy*, was published in 1994. "Seneca happened to be a dramatist besides a statesman and philosopher, and wrote several tragedies. He was influential on all of the great tragedians in the western tradition, such as Shakespeare and Racine," she said.

Her focus turned to Bernhardt with her next book, *My Double Life*, a translation of the actress's memoirs, *Ma Double Vie*. Published in February 1999 as part of the *Women Writers in Translation* series produced by State University of New York Press, *My Double Life* sold more than 1,000 copies within a month of its release.

Bernhardt's original effort was 400 pages long, published in two volumes in 1907. Her memoirs had been translated into English once before in 1923, but that version has been out of print for many years. When Larson proposed her project to SUNY Press, the publisher limited her to a 350-page abridgement of both original volumes.

Although condensed, the material that is included in the book gives the reader a glimpse into the life of the independent Bernhardt, who in many ways was ahead of her time. Bernhardt's remembrances include her bohemian childhood in France (she was the daughter of a courtesan), her efforts to aid wounded soldiers during the Franco-Prussian War, and the evolution of the acting career that would catapult her to international stardom. The memoir also reveals that Bernhardt, who described each episode with vivid detail and candor, had a natural flair for writing. "Bernhardt was a superstar in a way; very popular and very loved," Larson said. "She understood the value of her public and she knew how to market herself. Even the title she chose for her memoir, *My Double Life*, was deliberately constructed by her to make you think you will hear all kinds of secret revelations."

Larson's translation of *My Double Life* arrived at an ideal time. "There has been a lot of interest lately in women writers of the 19th century, including Sarah Bernhardt. Within academia, students enrolled in theater, women's studies, and French studies programs are all interested in her," Larson said. The enormous popularity that Bernhardt still enjoys as an icon of the theater makes this book an enjoyable read for other audiences as well. "There are quite a few Web sites dedicated to Sarah Bernhardt, and many people collect her photos." Last year Larson received a contract, again from SUNY Press, to publish a translation with commentary of a selection of letters from Juliette Drouet, the mistress of Victor Hugo, the French poet, novelist and playwright, and 19th-century France's leading literary figure. Hugo, whose work almost singlehandedly inspired the French Romantic Movement, was the author of numerous works, including *Les Miserables* and *The Hunchback of Notre Dame*. The letters are genuine and were actually sent over a period of 50 years, the duration of Drouet's relationship with Hugo.

"My translation should make available in English a valuable primary document to those interested in 19th-century French history, theatre studies, women's studies, autobiography, and last, but not least, Victor Hugo. The letters shed a whole new light on this venerated *'grand homme'* of French literature and not always a very complimentary one from a modern viewpoint," Larson continued.

This project followed naturally from Larson's translation of Sarah Bernhardt's autobiography in a number of ways: both subjects were 19th-century women and both were actresses. "I am interested in 19th-century history and especially in 19th-century women's history. I am also interested in autobiography and in the way that people tell the story of their lives. Although Drouet did not deliberately set out to tell the story of her life the way that Bernhardt did, the letters still tell us a lot about her and how she and Hugo saw their lives and their relationship," Larson said. There are about 20,000 of Drouet's letters in existence, most of them held in public collections but some in the hands of private collectors.

Mailbag

The following letters are in response to the front-page article, "Memories of a special place," that appeared in the spring 2001 issue of Alumni Life. *We encourage readers to continue sending reminiscences about their experiences and memories at Montclair State.*

For information about the amphitheater restoration project, call the Development Office at 973-655-5454.

In the spring of 1967, the senior class of College High School elected me its commencement speaker at its 7 p.m. ceremony in the amphitheater. During my speech, with Emma Fantone of what was then an audio-visual department at the controls of the sound system, a commuter train rumbled its noisy passage on the nearby tracks, blowing its horn to alert traffic on Normal Avenue. Emma, with her usual aplomb, turned up the volume as the train passed, and gradually lowered it as the sound of the train faded. I was fully aware of Emma's adjustment as it happened, and thanked her later. To my knowledge, neither the seniors nor their families missed a word!

Another memory I have of the amphitheater is when the students went on strike the final two weeks of the semester in May 1970 to protest the Vietnam War and the killings at Kent State and Jackson State. They organized their own college and posted voluntary courses all over campus. Mine, on the subject of war, met in the amphitheater every morning.

During the first week, approximately 225 students filled the lower half of the amphitheater, participating in vigorous discussion of the war. The weather turned warm during the second week, and most of them vanished to the beach and to their summer jobs. But that first week in the amphitheater may have been the high-water mark, ever, of student independence at Montclair State.

Joe Moore '59 M.A.
Professor of history
Montclair State

[In the article,] Emma Fantone remembered correctly, according to my wife, Millie. The trombone player was Ted McMillan. Ted and I were returned vets after World War II and lived on campus. Ted practiced until the outcry from others in the units forced him to higher ground. At that time, the amphitheater, nearly surrounded by little else but woods, was ideal. Millie should know. She was then Mrs. Ted McMillan. How she became Mrs. Reed is another story.

I have my own memories of the amphitheater. My father, Dr. Rufus D. Reed, was on the faculty during the Works Progress Administration years. As a result, I saw the metamorphosis of the hillside. In 1936 I started at College High School, continued at MSTC until called for Army Air Corps training, then returned in 1946. During the 1950 ceremonies in the amphitheater, all was moving smoothly, I was next in line when things suddenly stopped. Dr. Milstead, the faculty member in charge of the ceremonies, halted the process long enough to call my father from the faculty ranks to "hood" me. It was a pleasant surprise and a memory I have carried with me throughout the years.

To accommodate married vets after the war, several one-story, three-apartment units were built, plus two double-story units for single vets. Ted McMillan and I were science majors, and our wives both worked. We wound up being more like brothers than just friends. Ted died in 1983. When my spouse died in 1988, Millie and I decided there were too many close ties that just wouldn't go away.

Russell F. Reed '49, '50 M.A.

I loved the amphitheater and enjoyed many happy hours there with friends and in assembly activities. But the memory that makes me smile to this day is my one shining moment of attention from the entire student body. The fire chief from the Montclair fire station came to give a fire safety demonstration, and he happened to be a very handsome young man who attended the same church I did. I was sitting in the front row, and when he saw me, he sat beside me to chat. The cat calls and whistles erupted, and I had my moment of glory! Embarrassed as I was then, I still remember it with rather amused nostalgia today.

Living in California now, I don't have many opportunities to revisit the campus. When I see pictures of the main building, I remember the many times when the College Choir would return from giving a concert and, true to tradition, we would gather around the sundial and sing the "Lutkin Benediction." I wonder if that means as much to other former choir members as it does to me?

I'm so glad the amphitheater will be renovated and maintained. It is a vital part of the Montclair campus, and the backdrop for many memories.

Nancy Coull Nissen '43

How nice that restoration of the amphitheater is in the works. It was the Foreign Language Festivals that we students performed in the amphitheater that made possible the 1949-1950 year of study in France by Peter Losso and myself for the first time after World War II.

The last time I was on campus, it seemed so strange to me, and the amphitheater seemed almost dwarfed. My memories of the way it was prevent me from coming to see it now.

Tuition back then was a not-easy-to-come-by $160 per year. Those of us who were able to attend and graduate were a grateful group. Many of our friends envied us for the opportunity.

I continue to be grateful for the learning, the experiences, the teaching and now for the memory-filled retirement.

Reading each issue of *Alumni Life* is a pleasurable reminder of my years at MSTC.

Naomi Glucksman Levine '51

Just wanted you to know how much I enjoyed your article about the amphitheater. I was there throughout the Korean War, experienced the loss of a classmate, saw a number of our classmates leave for service and learned as much about life with what we considered deep, philosophical discussions while ensconced on the steps of the amphitheater. Oh, we were so profound.

The article brought back so many memories and I thank you for it. I will probably return for our class's 50th reunion in three years.

I have lived in South Dakota since marrying my SD sailor in 1954. Now that our five children are grown and gone, we do a lot of traveling. One of my particular favorites is an annual trek to New York the first week in December for the glitz of Christmas lights and theater. My husband declines the joy of that, but together we have covered many other sites, including China, New Zealand, Scandinavia, Europe and other places. I am sure he will want to return to Montclair when the time comes.

Joan (Mansfield) Likness '54

I remember the amphitheater with many memories. I used to go there to sit and think, relax or just get away from it all. I read that there are plans to put in lighting. I feel very strongly that doing that would ruin the uniqueness of this place of natural beauty. I sure hope many other people feel the same way I do. Changing it in any way would surely ruin a place of time-honored beauty.

Al Varsolona '74

Editor's Note: Emma Fantone '36, '37 M.A., who was quoted in the story about the amphitheater passed away in April at age 86.

University grows to capacity

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of seats in public higher education per capita," Cole explained. "And 60 percent of New Jersey college students go out of state." (See "Brain drain" on this page.)

Evidence of the full impact of student loss is documented by polls showing that the majority of those who attend college in another state continue to live in that state following graduation. "There is a critical link between a vital economy and higher education," Cole said. "If we send our high school graduates out of state, many of them will never return." On the other hand, an overwhelming number of Montclair State graduates stay in the state and contribute to the economy.

Vice President for Institutional Advancement Gregory L. Waters points to implications in business as well. "We live in a high-tech, high-service area that demands an educated workforce," he said. "We have the resources to fill that demand through the remarkable 80 percent of high school students who anticipate attending college."

Considered the pharmaceutical capital of the world, New Jersey industry must recruit young people equipped to take over the reins of leadership in medical research and development. "Because of our outstanding faculty in science, programs in molecular biology and biochemistry have grown," Waters said. "We also are attracting interest as the result of a matriculation agreement with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey."

He adds that advances in environmental science have led to a proposed doctoral program, the appointment of a dean with considerable credentials in the field and growing interest among business and government entities as well as students.

In addition, at a time when New Jersey schools are under microscopic evaluation, Montclair State's College of Education and Human Services, a cornerstone of the University's prestige among public colleges, is significantly important to the state. The University is a forerunner in understanding and addressing the growing need for qualified teachers, teaching the critical thinking skills schools look for in teachers and networking with schools in which students ultimately will be placed.

Because the state funds just half the cost of higher education in New Jersey, Montclair State, with one of the lowest tuition rates in the state, must augment funding with financing through bonds and private giving.

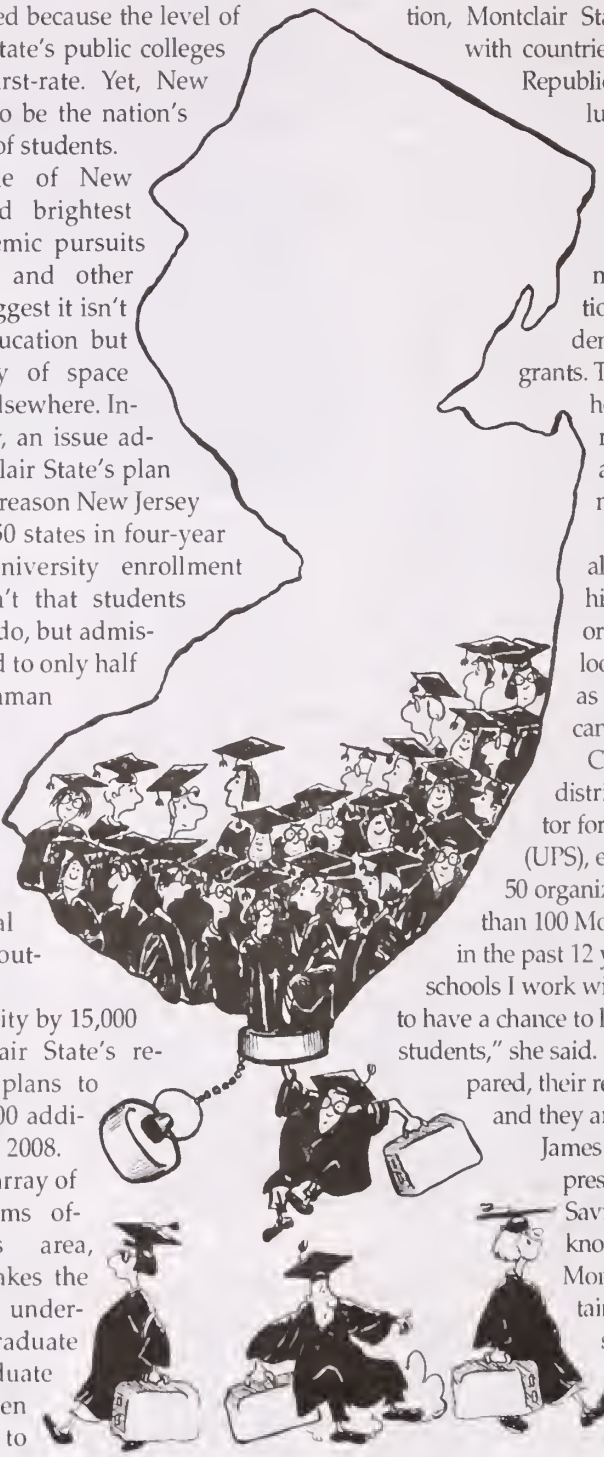
Referring to the University's potential for fundraising, Waters is optimistic. "We're fortunate," he said. "President Cole's vision for growth has been underlined by strong organizational support beginning with the active involvement of the board of trustees, faculty members and, most recently, a community advisory board. "In the final analysis," he said, "the importance of New Jersey on the global educational scale will be measured in great part by the importance of Montclair State University to the state."

Brain drain

The out-migration of New Jersey students

The annual out-migration of college-bound students to other states is a problem everywhere, but nowhere is it more surprising, more lamentable or less academically warranted than in New Jersey. Surprising, considering the state's substantial investment in public school education preparing students for college. Lamentable because career advantages in hot-button industries here are waiting to be filled by graduates who call the state home. Unwarranted because the level of education in the state's public colleges is indisputably first-rate. Yet, New Jersey continues to be the nation's primary exporter of students.

Why are some of New Jersey's best and brightest leaving for academic pursuits in Pennsylvania and other states? Studies suggest it isn't the quality of education but the unavailability of space that drives them elsewhere. Insufficient capacity, an issue addressed by Montclair State's plan for growth, is one reason New Jersey ranks 44th out of 50 states in four-year public college/university enrollment per capita. It isn't that students don't apply; they do, but admission can be offered to only half of all freshman applicants.



The New Jersey Association of State Colleges and Universities (NJASCU) has outlined several steps to reverse out-migration:

- Expand capacity by 15,000 students. Montclair State's response includes plans to accommodate 4,500 additional students by 2008.
- Broaden the array of academic programs offered. In this area, Montclair State takes the lead at both the undergraduate and graduate levels. New graduate courses have been designed leading to the kind of post-graduate certificate needed for corporate upward mobility, and partnerships are being fostered with business and industry to develop programs on company sites. Expanding its parameter of global education, the University sponsors numerous conferences abroad, including a recent educational conference in Ukraine and a business conference in Bratislava, Slovakia scheduled for November. As a result of its rich history in teacher preparation, Montclair State has been working with countries in the former Soviet Republic developing a curriculum to bring lessons in democracy into the schools there.
- Expand college opportunity to adult, minority, first-generation, low-income students and recent immigrants. This directive goes to the heart of the University's mission and is continually emphasized in numerous ways.

Montclair State alumni responsible for hiring at their companies or organizations say they look to their alma mater as an oasis of qualified candidates.

Carol Fitzpatrick '89, district recruiting coordinator for United Parcel Service (UPS), estimates the Fortune 50 organization has hired more than 100 Montclair State students in the past 12 years. "Of all the schools I work with, I'm always happy to have a chance to hire Montclair State students," she said. "They are well prepared, their resumes are impressive and they are highly qualified."

James Feeney '01 M.A., vice president for Ridgewood Savings Bank, agrees. "I know I am proud of Montclair State and I certainly look twice at the resume of any graduate that crosses my desk."

~ by Rita Rooney

Growing on tradition with an eye on the future

By Rita Rooney

Montclair State as it looked in 1920 when it was a Normal School.

A recent aerial view of the campus, which will see more growth in the next few years.

Ask faculty and alumni how Montclair State University has changed over the years and the answers come easily—more program choices, a growing campus, a broader educational landscape and an increasingly fertile employment field for graduates. But in essence, are the differences so great?

In May, 2,446 graduating seniors embarked on careers in education, business, arts and sciences, while others pursued studies at Harvard Law School, Cambridge University and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, to name a few. That's quite a contrast to the first graduating class of 45 seniors. Yet, even in that small group, there were several shining stars, including a Pulitzer Prize winner for journalism. The proud heritage that has become Montclair State had an early start.

Evolving to meet the needs of its predominantly urban, working and first-generation student population has been a long tradition at Montclair State. Dr. Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services, believes that tradition has accelerated as changing demographics account for the presence of additional cultures and languages on campus.

"In recent years we have become even more culturally responsive within our education curriculum so future teachers trained here understand and meet the needs of diversity in the schools," she said. As example, Cutler talks of a landmark law mandating the establishment of 30 special school districts, known as Abbott Districts, for preschool education in urban areas and the corresponding requirement for additional teacher certification. "This year alone, we have enrolled 150 students working toward that certification," she said.

Growth—in both size and curriculum—marks the biggest change at Montclair State. The University graduated 78,670 students during the 20th century while projections estimate that number will grow to 347,000 in the 21st century. Established as a teacher's college in 1908, Montclair State today is a highly accredited comprehensive university with more than 250 majors and minors.

Dr. Alan Oppenheim is dean of the School of Business, which recently earned accreditation from the prestigious AACSB—The International Association for Management Education. "Since 1980 the School of Business has grown from eight to 64 full-time courses within 10 concentrations," he explained. "Student enrollment stands at about 1,300 undergraduates plus another 300 M.B.A. candidates. Ours is a demanding and selective program that keeps class size manageable and allows us to recruit top students."

Other popular and market-driven choices in New Jersey are the sciences and environmental studies. Dr. Robert Prezant, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, said one substantial change from earlier years is the blending of disciplines.

"It's becoming clear that answers to the big questions in science come at a juncture between disciplines," he said. "That means we must work as teams and train students in the concept of an integrated approach to scientific solutions. Our programs and facilities must be at the leading edge for students in computer science, biotechnology and environmental science—all of which offer considerable opportunity for new graduates."

Prezant, the newest of the University's deans, said he joined Montclair State because of its leading role in health professions and computer science. He specifically cited a proposal for a new program in bioinformatics, which, when implemented, will teach the kind of scientific investigation that can only be done by computer.

Syd Salt '51 was among the alumni celebrating their 50th anniversary at this year's commencement ceremony. "In my day all the students were headed toward careers in education," he recalled. "And even though the school has broadened its scope, I never cease to be proud of how it has remained a first-class training ground for teachers.

"I'm always amazed by the growth of the campus itself," he added. "When I first came here in 1947, there were 80 acres, some in Passaic County, some in Essex. The old quarry is now Yogi Berra Stadium. We didn't have a swimming pool then and, if we wanted to attend a tennis competition, we had to go off campus."

Salt, who is a member of the University's Alumni Association Executive Board, recalled his own experience applying to a doctoral program at Harvard University. During the interview, Salt began to explain that his undergraduate and graduate studies had been at a small New Jersey college, and proceeded to talk about Montclair State.

"The professor said, 'Let me interrupt you to say we are very familiar with your alma mater. We have had many of its graduates in our program and have never had a failure from Montclair State,' " Salt recalled.

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Tours available to prospective students

College-bound students interested in attending Montclair State University are invited to attend one of several open houses scheduled by the Office of Undergraduate Admissions. Open houses will be held Oct. 14, Nov. 4 and Dec. 2 beginning at 1 p.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

Daily tours also are available. They are held Monday through Friday at 3 p.m. beginning at the Admissions Office in Russ Hall. Special tours can be scheduled by appointment by calling 973-655-5322.

Tours for graduate students are available by appointment Monday through Friday between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, call the Graduate School at 973-655-5147.

Art Days are for college-bound students interested in learning about programs in theater, speech communication, dance, broadcasting, music and/or visual arts. Events are free and include technique classes, an introduction to School of the Arts' degree programs, performances, career talks and demonstrations.

For more information, call 973-655-7346.
Communication Day: **Nov. 30**
Dance Days: **Dec. 7 and April 26**
Theatre Days: **Nov. 16 and March 1**
Broadcasting orientations: **Nov. 10, Feb. 2, April 6, May 2 and July 10.**

Player drafted by Blue Jays

Junior lefthander Ryan Costello was selected in the 10th round of the 2001 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft in June. Costello was chosen by the Toronto Blue Jays and is the third Montclair State hurler in as many years to be chosen in the draft.

Costello helped the Red Hawks to the New Jersey Athletic Conference and Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships, and a third place finish at the 2001 National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III World Series. He was named American Baseball Coaches Association ABCA Third-Team All-American, named to the Mid-Atlantic All-Region Team, and was chosen Pitcher of the Year by the New Jersey College Baseball Association.

The Montclair State University Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony and Jazz Ensemble will perform in Russia and Ukraine next May. Tuning up for the trip are, from left, Jason Carroll; Mary Ann Craig, director of Bands; Arik Cohen; Vinne Sorenson; and Jody Moody.

Musical groups embark on international tour

The Montclair State University Symphonic Band, Wind Symphony and Jazz Ensemble will embark on an international concert tour in May when they perform in Russia and Ukraine. For most of the students, this will be their first trip overseas. Performance venues include Moscow and Kiev, as well as Saratov and the University's sister school in Kirovograd. The bands, under the direction of Mary Ann Craig, and the jazz ensemble, under the direction of Jeffrey Kunkel, have performed at the New Jersey Music Education Association Conference. In addition, the Band has released its first CD, "Live On State," has performed world premiere commissioned works by various composers, and has welcomed several internationally renowned soloists and guest composers.

The seeds of friendship... President Susan A. Cole (left) joined Alfred Stingl (center), lord mayor of Graz, Austria, and Juliana Belcsak, chair of Overseas Neighbors in Montclair, in planting a tree on the University campus this summer in honor of the 50-year relationship between sister cities Graz and Montclair. "Montclair State is proud of the long tradition of cooperation with our friends from Graz," Cole said. "These sister city programs are helpful in promoting educational and cultural exchanges, and international understanding and sensitivity. The tree we have planted symbolizes the strong and growing relationship that exists between our two communities. I look forward to another 50 years of our relationship."

Say "good work," Gracie

Most students have good grades to show for the hard work they produce in their classes. Lucy Danny and Mirjam Lablans have Gracie Awards.

Danny, a senior broadcasting/history major, produced a segment for a Television Production III class about the Internet and its impact on youth. The investigative piece, which fellow students Lamar Prout and Joe DeAngelus helped produce, won in the Student Magazine category.

Lablans' piece, a two-part program tracing the personal story of her grandmother's evasion of Nazi persecution in Holland before and during the war, earned a Gracie in the Student Documentary category. A 2000 graduate, Lablans produced the segment while she was a taking a class called Television Production Company.

Larry Londino of the Broadcasting Department taught both classes. "This is a significant achievement for both women," Londino said, "because the projects were completed as part of coursework in addition to other projects. Most national award-winning student productions are the results of many months production."

Both pieces aired on Montclair State University's student-produced cable television show, "Carpe Diem."

The Gracie Allen Awards, sponsored by American Women in Radio and Television, strive to encourage the positive and realistic portrayal of women in entertainment, commercials, news features and other programming.

"Our program attracts a high percentage of women students who are encouraged to produce and direct rather than assume the traditional roles for women in broadcasting—writing and talent," Londino said.

Lucy Danny, Lamar Prout and Mirjam Lablans display their Gracies.

"Schiro privitati"

Oleg Polyarush, rector of Kirovograd State Pedagogical University (KSPU) in Kiev, Ukraine, and Vladimir Manakin, vice rector, gave a traditional Ukrainian welcome (schiro privitati) with bread and salt to Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. She was in Kiev for the Democracy and Education Conference sponsored by the two universities, the U.S. Embassy in Ukraine, and the Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine.

The conference, held June 1-2, attracted 300 proposals from more than 20 countries.

"The excitement generated by the conference reinforces our belief that a gathering of international voices will make a vital contribution to democratization efforts in Eastern and Central Europe," said Marina Cunningham, director of MSU's Center for Global Education, who was one of the conference participants. Other Montclair State faculty and staff members who made presentations for moderated panels were Maughn Gregory, Ann Sharp, Mark Weinstein, Susan Nanney, Margaret Mukherjee, David Kennedy, Rita Jacobs and Richard Wolfson. Cole and Polyarush gave keynote addresses.

At the end of the conference, participants attended a concert of the Central Wind Orchestra, Military Force of Ukraine, conducted by Monclair State Band Conductor Mary Ann Craig, while David Witten of Music offered a solo piano performance of Gershwin's "Rhapsody in Blue."

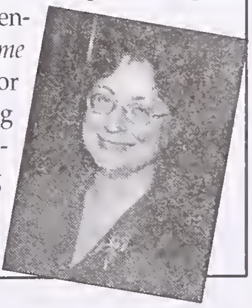
From Ukraine, President Cole headed to Bulgaria, where she addressed the opening of the fifth international conference of Philosophy for Children and Democratization of Bulgarian Education, held June 5-6. Most of the MSU faculty attending the conference in Kiev went to Bulgaria and visited the Varna Free University, where they met with Rector Ana Nedyalkova and faculty counterparts to discuss possible future collaborations.

Time magazine names professor a "Hometown Hero"

The Essex County Board of Chosen Freeholders honored Dr. Jacalyn Willis, director of the Professional Resources in Sciences and Mathematics program, during a board meeting at the Newark Hall of Records. Willis was named one of only 10 "Hometown Heroes for the Planet" nationwide by *Time for Kids* magazine in recognition of her efforts to study and protect Panama's rainforest and to share her findings with thousands of students and teachers via the Internet.

The board's commendation was presented by Freeholder Joseph Scarpelli of Nutley, who was one of Willis' students when she taught at Upsala College. "It is a joy to be recognized and nominated by children for the work I do to bring the natural world into their lives," Willis said. "They have amply shown their appreciation for my efforts and I have learned the power of clear communication with children."

Willis, who designs educational programs for teachers to improve their teaching of science and mathematics, added that "although my main work is with teachers, I have always tried to reach students as well. The Rainforest Connection at www.csam.montclair.edu/ceterms/rainforest has made this possible.



The "Hometown Heroes" competition is part of a three-year environmental initiative between *Time for Kids* and Ford Motor Company celebrating those protecting the environment and encouraging young people to become environmental activists.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Contact the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 about any of the following items unless noted otherwise. Mail can be sent to the Montclair State University Alumni Office, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Faxes can be sent to 973-655-5483, and e-mails can be sent to alumni @mail.montclair.edu.

Please don't lose touch! Notify Alumni Relations of a change of address or e-mail address by phone, mail, fax or e-mail.

Panzer Notes will return

Due to space constraints, Panzer Notes does not appear in this issue. But don't fret—an expanded column, featuring the news of graduates from the Panzer School, will appear in the next issue. So keep the information coming. Send news to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please include "Panzer Notes" in the subject line.

Chair your class for Alumni Weekend 2002

Preparations are underway for Alumni Weekend 2002, Saturday, May 4. During the luncheon, classes ending in 2 and 7 will be honored. If you are a graduate of one of these classes and are interested in being a class chair or volunteer, call the Office of Alumni Relations. Class chairs will be provided with the names of classmates. It's never too early to start.

Alumni cheer for N.J. Jackals and N.Y. Mets

Alumni and guests attended the fourth annual Alumni Association outing to watch the New Jersey Jackals claim an 8-3 victory over Allentown at Yogi Berra Stadium on July 10. This annual event is a fun night for baseball fans of all ages. Don't miss next year's game.

More alumni accompanied MSUAA President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. and other members of the Alumni Association on a bus trip to Shea Stadium on July 15 to cheer on the Mets as they triumphed against the Toronto Blue Jays 6-2. Plans are in the works for another bus trip next season to Shea Stadium or Yankee Stadium, or possibly both.

Summer fun... Enjoying Summer Splash with fellow young alumni at Bar Anticipation in Belmar are (from left), Brian Pedersen '99, Adrienne Howell '00, Dragan Tubonjic '00, Maria Incardona '00 and Caroline Howell '98.

Children of alumni eligible for scholarship

The Alumni Association offers a full-year tuition waiver to an incoming freshman who is a child or grandchild of an active alumna/alumnus. This scholarship is awarded on the basis of financial need as determined by the Financial Aid Office, and on academic achievement as determined by the Office of Admissions. Interested students who will be incoming freshmen in fall 2002 must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating Montclair State as a recipient. Applicants must notify the Office of Alumni Relations in writing by Feb. 15 of their interest in the scholarship. Write to: Legacy Scholarship, Montclair State University, Office of Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

Nominations sought for Alumni Citation Award

Each year the Montclair State University Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates with the Alumni Citation Award. The Award will be presented at the Alumni Weekend Luncheon on May 4. To be considered for this award, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions to the community, University and/or related agencies or the candidate's profession.

Anyone may nominate an outstanding individual to the MSUAA Alumni Citation Committee. Please send the name, address, phone number and year of graduation of the person you wish to nominate to the Office of Alumni Relations by Jan. 2. Nominees will be contacted for a vita and letters of recommendation.

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141, or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.shtml.

November: Donor Appreciation Brunch
February: On-line event
April: MSUAA Scholarship Reception
May: Alumni Weekend, Superintendents Breakfast, Senior Send-Off, Class of 1952 Anniversary Breakfast, Commencement
June: Summer Splash, New Jersey Jackals game at Yogi berra Stadium.

Dates are not yet set for the following events:
- ☐ Young alumni event
- ☐ Alumni athletics event
- ☐ Prudential corporate event
- ☐ Regional receptions

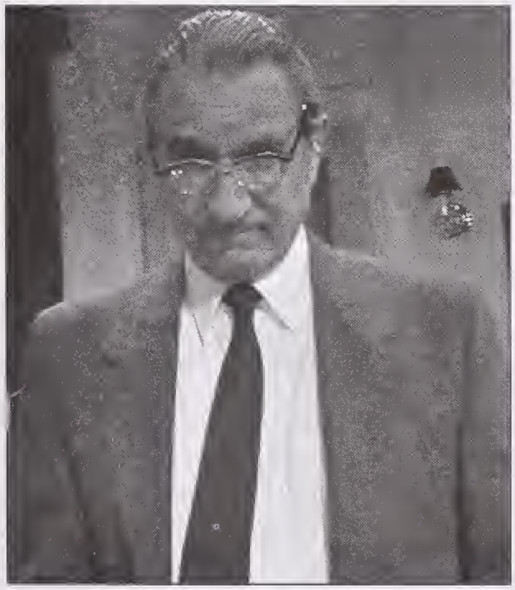
TheatreFest

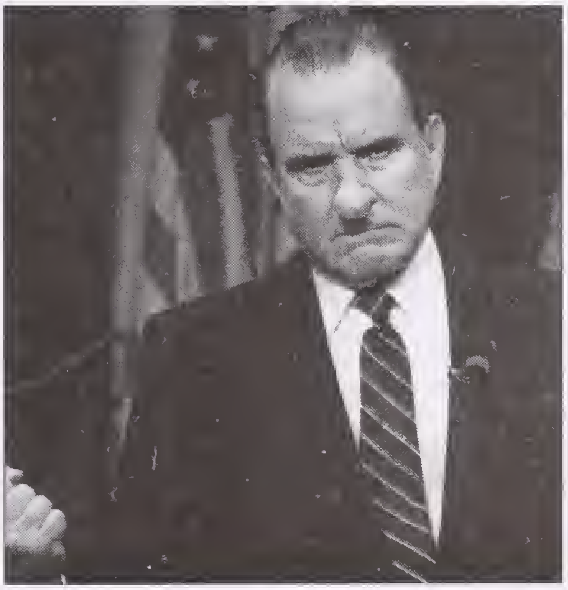
In its most successful season to date, TheatreFest presented the stars and attracted others in a summer filled with song, comedy and drama. Debbie Reynolds delighted audiences in three tour-de-force performances that celebrated her life, music and greatest triumphs on and off the big screen. On June 9 she stepped off stage to mingle with attendees at the annual TheatreFest gala fund-raising event, which raised nearly $33,000 and attracted some stars of its own. Pictured (top right), Reynolds and baseball great Yogi Berra seem to be members of the mutual admiration society. Pictured (top left) Bobbi Brown, CEO of Bobbi Brown Cosmetics, and her father enjoy the evening's festivities, while (pictured left) Reynolds and Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, smile for the camera.

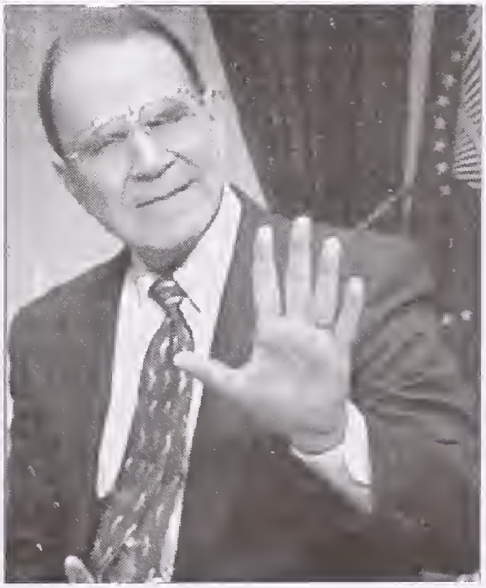
Reynolds wasn't the only star to the grace the stage this summer. Comedian Rich Little gave 10 performances of "The Presidents," and brought the house down with his portrayals of (bottom, from left) Lyndon B. Johnson, Richard Nixon and George Bush. Little's performance, produced in collaboration with Cherry County Playhouse, set a TheatreFest record for ticket sales of a non-musical performance.

TheatreFest also sold out several performances of "As Bees in Honey Drown," the staged reading of "The Third Person," and the winner of the 2001 Regional Playwriting Contest, "Noon Day Sun."

The 2002 season of TheatreFest will have a tough act to follow.







THAT'S LIFE

Compiled by Perry Jones '99 and Rosalind Graziano.

Send information for "That's Life" to Alumni Relations, "That's Life," 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

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Jay Scovronek retired from the Burroughs Corporation. He was a manager in the Electronic Components Division.

John Kirk

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John Kirk has retired as director of Montclair State University's New Jersey School of Conservation. Kirk will continue to serve as vice chairman of the State Commission for Environmental Education and as senior adviser for Conservation and Religious Affairs for the United Nations Environment Program.

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E. Alma Flagg, Newark's first African-American female school principal, was chosen deputy grand marshal of the city's African-American Heritage Parade. A retired educator, she has authored numerous books. The E. Alma Flagg School bears her name, and she is still active in the community.

Irene Merkler Kominek has come out of retirement to become a travel agent.

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Nancy Castellano '51 M.A. and her husband, Aloysius, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in February.

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George Iannacone '59 M.A. was inducted into the Vernon Township school district Hall of Fame. He was superintendent for 13 years.

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Robert Zschak, also known as "The Voice of the Mustangs," was inducted into the Clifton High School Hall of Fame for his unique talent as a game announcer.

Sharpe James, mayor of Newark, shared a scrapbook of memories with constituents at a fund-raiser at the Robert Treat Hotel. He related stories of his youth, family and rise to success.

59

John Riordan became staff head of the International Council of Shopping Centers after 20 years with the company.

Patrick Gallo had his seventh book, *The American Paradox*, published by Howard University Press. He is a professor of political science at New York University.

64

Joanne Egan, manager of Coldwell Banker in Upper Montclair, participated in the acquisition of Joan R. Hoonhout Realtors.

Robert Sulyma M.A. was appointed assistant professor in Montclair State University's Department of Curriculum and Teaching.

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Warren Farrell has toured Australia, New Zealand, Canada and the United States to promote his new book, *Father and Child Reunion*.

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Jeffrey Ader received the Crystal Apple Award for Excellence in Teaching and has been nominated for the Disney American Teacher Award. He was named U.S. director for the All Okinawa Shorin Ryu Karate and Kobudo Association and has achieved the rank of black belt.

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June Pendino has retired after 30 years of teaching physical education and health at Watchung Hills Regional High School.

Jay Strauss-Teran

Jay Strauss-Teran directed, in Florida, *The Old Settler* by John Redwood, a playwright from East Orange.

Jackie Van Brundt Rutberg is owner of Nimble Fingers, a company that provides computer services including database management, tape transcriptions, billing services and general secretarial services.

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Donald H. Bowers was honored at a dinner sponsored by the Plainfield Health Center. He is director of public relations at Johnson & Johnson.

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Nancy Hutchinson has joined Montclair State University as director of major gifts. Her duties include fund raising from private philanthropic sources, and strengthening relationships between the University and the private sector.

Nadine Udall Fischer

Nadine Udall Fischer was selected by the *Financial Times Knowledge Dialogue* as a "Thought Leader." She is an expert in the field of human communication.

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Judy White has been named Teacher of the Year by the Manasquan School District. She teaches seventh- and eighth-grade language arts.

Dolores DeFort Davis came out of retirement to accept a position at Roscoe L. West Library at The College of New Jersey. She had been living in Florida.

Nancy Mauer Muddell, a first-grade teacher in Clifton, received a third nomination for the Disney American Teacher Award.

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Jean Sheldon Krauss M.A. has been inducted into the Vernon Township school district Hall of Fame. She was a school nurse for 18 years.

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Carol F. Casserly '80 M.A. was honored by the Blairstown Teachers Association for 25 years of dedicated service.

72

Robert Connelly '74 M.A. celebrated his first year as superintendent of the Upper Freehold regional school district.

Maria Schmidt '76 M.A. was appointed a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, the educational and philanthropic branch of the New Jersey State Bar Association.

Karen Bishop '75 M.A. was chosen Outstanding Volunteer of the Year by United States International University.

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Joanne Cherefko '79 M.A. was honored by the Wall Foundation for Educational Excellence for outstanding accomplishments as a teacher, administrator and coach. She has worked in the Wall School District since 1973.

Susan Cook M.A. has joined the Psychoeducational Center at Montclair State University as assistant director.

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Robert T. Holloway has been appointed vice president, World Wide Resources, at Checkpoint Systems, Inc. The company provides supply chain management and security solutions on a global scale, and is an innovator in radio frequency identification technology.

Douglas Rallo had his article, "Proof of Medical Expenses at Trial: Insurance Write-offs and the Collateral Source Rule," published in the *Trial Journal of the Illinois Trial Lawyers Association.*

Frank Mosella received the Young Professional of the Year Award from the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association.

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Joan M. D'Uva was promoted to senior manager at the firm Amper, Politziner & Mattia PA, where she works in the Litigation and Valuation Group.

Anne Boehm received the Excellence in Professional Service Award from the State University of New York at Albany.

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Martha A. Curren has become the first female president of Lenox Collections. The company has 350 employees and more than $100 million in revenue.

Gary Hudes was elected to represent the Sixth Council District of Hempstead, N.Y.

John Pluchino M.A. was chosen by the governor to serve a four-year term on the Board of Trustees of Hudson County Community College.

William Leonard M.A. is the recipient of the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development's Excellence Award.

78

William R. Chemerka spoke to the Chatham Women's Club about "Famous New Jerseyans in U.S. History."

Deborah Grasso '98 M.A. is a clinical faculty member at Montclair State. She also teaches sixth- and seventh-grade math at Mount Hebron Middle School and is an adjunct math professor at Bergen Community College.

79

Susan A. Nobleman '81 M.A. put on a one-woman-show, "Oh Susanna," at Teaneck United Methodist Church. The show depicts the life of Susanna Wesley, whose sons founded the Methodist Church.

Ray Kietrys has been honored as a top sales associate at Century 21 North Warren Realty of Hackettstown.

Nancy Scharff has toured the world performing both original and cover Christian songs. She is also director of music at King of Kings Lutheran Church in Middletown.

Sheila Riely-Massa joined Monroe Village as activity director. Her duties include planning educational, cultural, social and fitness activities.

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Bonnie Maranz Kirsch M.A. teaches a drawing class at The Arts Guild of Rahway.

Tim Cronin was elected to a three-year term as president of the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association. He was vice president.

Vincenza Conforti

Vincenza Conforti received an award on behalf of Lan Associates from the Employers Association of New Jersey for exceptional work place practices.

81

Charles Messina has retired as deputy fire chief at the Orange Fire Department. He served for 28 years.

William J. McNaught '86 M.A. has been named Lakeland's Teacher of the Year.

83

Jane B. Merritt was one of 250 artists to have her work displayed at the 31st Annual Monmouth Festival of the Arts. Her medium is hand-painted silk.

Sonia Rodriguez has been named assistant manager of advertising budgets at the Warner-Lambert Consumer Group division of Pfizer in Morris Plains. She joined the company in 1989.

Bob Briant was elected to the city council in Manasquan.

Nancy L. Lubarsky M.A. was appointed principal of Village School in Holmdel.

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Dianne M. Traflet provided the keynote address, "Servants and Witnesses in God's Kingdom," at Christian Brothers Academy in Lincroft. She is assistant dean and adjunct professor of spiritual theology at Immaculate Conception Seminary School of Theology at Seton Hall University.

Nancy J. Amalfitano became vice president of investments at Salomon Smith Barney's Paramus office.

Brian Travis and **Judy Susser-Travis** celebrated the 10-year anniversary of their business, Travis Meeting Management, an independent meeting-planning and destination management company.

Craig Scott Brown, Sr. was named pastor at Bethany Baptist Church in Jamaica, Queens, N.Y.

86

Barbara Bell had her artwork exhibited at the Old Church Cultural Center in Demarest. She used linocut, a printmaking technique, to depict Viking and Scandinavian themes.

Kim W. Anderson was appointed pastor of the Friendship AME church in Newark. She works as a foster care family resource specialist at Kids Peace National Center for Kids in Crisis.

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Lawrence E. Migliore received the 2001 Distinguished Clinical Award from the New Jersey Speech-Language-Hearing Association. He was recognized for his contribution in the area of augmentative communication and fiber optic endoscopic assessment.

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Anthony J. Mauriello opened an office in Lancaster, Pa., where he practices orthopedics.

Anthony LaGruth is artistic director and conductor of the Garden State Philharmonic Orchestra.

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Rod Stubina, after working for the Peace Corps in Niger, and a stint in Cameroon, has returned to the University of Florida to work on his dissertation. He is an adjunct professor there in the Department of Anthropology.

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Doreen Brown, a first-grade teacher in Holmdel, received a New Jersey Teacher of the Year Award.

Marcia Miele M.A. had her artwork exhibited at Trustees Gallery of the Belleville Public Library.

Jim Tis M.A. was named principal of Roberge Elementary School in Rivervale. He previously was a third-grade teacher with 24 years of teaching experience in the district.

Frank J. Borao was appointed director of Laparoscopic Surgery at Monmouth Medical Center. He is one of a handful of surgeons in New Jersey who performs complex laparoscopic surgery for obesity, reflux, colon and rectal diseases.

91

Christopher W. Hager has been elected vice president of the Bloomfield Chamber of Commerce.

Walter Kanzler is project manager in the Architectural and Engineering Services Department at Montclair State.

92

Carolyn Steen was the featured musician at the Lenten Music and Meditation Services held at the Presbyterian Church in Basking Ridge.

93

Frances Turner was hired by the Piscataway School Board as a special education teacher.

94

Katherine M. Kremins was appointed assistant vice president and branch manager of Peapack-Gladstone Bank at its Chatham Shunpike location.

Dave Haywood and his band, Sauce, have released a CD. The band has received airplay on WDHA-FM.

Robert Stomber is a physical education teacher at the Forest Avenue School in Verona.

Andrea Blake-Garrett '97 M.A. earned a second master's degree, in administration and supervision from Montclair State.

Susan Monte was promoted to data privacy and security officer at Quest Diagnostics in Teterboro. She has been with the firm for 13 years.

95

Frank Masella received the Young Professional of the Year Award from the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association. He also was elected treasurer of the Union County Recreation and Parks Association.

Carmen Andrade has joined the real estate department of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard. She was employed by a Secaucus-based law firm.

Elaine Petricone M.A. retired from H.B. Whitehorne Middle School, where she taught reading and language arts.

Father Art Humphrey M.A. has become pastor of Saint Margaret of Cortona R.C. parish in Little Ferry.

96

Mary Diaz resumed her role as head of the Dance Department for the Stagestruck Kids Performing Arts Camp.

Louis Izzi has given up his barbershop to become a police officer. He is a lieutenant and serves on the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Narcotics Enforcement Officers Association, and is a trustee of the Italian-American Police Society of New Jersey.

97

Sophia Anastasia performed a flute recital at the Union Congregational Church in Upper Montclair. She performs with the Westfield Symphony Orchestra and gives private lessons in the metropolitan area. She is also the flute instructor at the Montclair State University Preparatory Center for the Arts.

Robert A. Onorato M.A. was appointed principal of Indian Hills High School in Oakland after having served for almost a year as principal at Benjamin Franklin Middle School in Teaneck.

Kelly Stackowicz has become a horse owner/trainer.

THAT'S LIFE

Christopher Phillips M.A., founder of the Society for Philosophical Inquiry, a non profit organization, has written a book, *Socrates Café*. He also uses that name for the philosophical discussions he hosts at coffee houses, bookstores, colleges and other locations.

Charles D. Miller II, CPA, was promoted to supervising senior at Druker, Rahl & Fein.

98

Kevin Favreau passed the New York State Bar Exam and is working for PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP in New York.

99

Alan Neibuhr performed in "Barefoot in the Park" at the Cranford Dramatic Club.

Cheryl Willis is a scholarship coordinator in the Financial Aid Department at Montclair State University.

Keely McCool has been awarded the prestigious International Sculpture Center's Outstanding Student Achievement in Contemporary Sculpture Award. As a result, her artwork will be included in the Grounds for Sculpture Fall/Winter exhibition, which will be on view Sept. 29 through Jan. 6 in Hamilton, adjacent to the Center's headquarters. Her work also will be featured in the October issue of *Sculpture* magazine.

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Joseph Thelusca was honored for having served three years on the Irvington Board of Education.

Julie Barber was crowned 2001 Miss New Jersey in Atlantic City.

Tammi Johnson is a financial aid counselor at Montclair State University.

Nicole Weir M.A. is a counselor at Montclair State's Center for Adult Learning.

Alumna and her sense of humor alive and well

It's a phone call any editor would dread: "Hello. This is Genevieve Tamburr Generalli, class of 1949. You put my name in the "In Memoriam" section in *Alumni Life*."

Gulp. I mean, what is there possibly to say? Apologizing profusely was the only answer, hoping she would accept graciously.

Fortunately, Genevieve's sense of humor is as alive as she is. After we contemplated how the error may have happened, Gen, as she insisted I call her, began to tell me about her days at Montclair State. We spoke for 20 minutes about her college years and a 30-year career as a school teacher. I learned she is the mother of six, one of whom also is a graduate of Montclair State.

Today, Gen is the curator of the Hamilton House, a restored 19th-century Dutch farmhouse in Clifton. "I can look right out the door and see the campus," she said. There she gives educational tours to school children and anyone else whose curiosity makes them pull off the road when they notice it in their travels on Valley Road.

Her description of the old Dutch kitchen and the craft shop that sells period treasures prompted a visit to see the house and the delightful woman who runs it.

She greeted me with a warm hug and then enthusiastically brought me and photographer Mike Peters through each room of the house, providing wonderful stories about the original family and what life was like in the 1800s.

Chances are, I never would have met Gen if not for the mishap of her name appearing "In Memoriam." She agreed. "Everything happens for a reason," she said.

No doubt her phone will continue to ring as family and friends come across her name. But she is taking every advantage to make light of the situation. When it came time to take her photo, Gen smiled and joked, "I hope I don't look too stiff." ~Diana St. Lifer

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Rae Anne Hughes '90 to Steven Pavlovic

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Christine Liloia '94 to Michael O'Donnell on July 18, 1999

Jennifer Liloia '94 to Michael Cefolo on Aug. 20, 2000

Paul Desiderioscioli '94 to Shannon Holland on June 30, 2001

Births

To **Judy Susser-Travis '85** and her husband **Brian Travis '85**, a girl, Juliana Grace, born Nov. 6, 2000

To **Keith Reiser '95**, a girl, Hanna Kathryn, born March 27, 2001

To **Stephanie Petrone Verile '99**, and her husband, **Mark**, a girl, Natalie Kate, born May 23, 2001

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Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks' spring sports fared. For a schedule of upcoming athletic events, call 973-746-6258, or check the Web at www.montclair.edu/athletics.shtml.

Baseball

The team closed out the 2001 season with a third-place finish at the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Baseball Championship at Fox Cities Stadium in Grand Chute, Wis. The Red Hawks (38-11), went 3-2 at the national tournament, reaching the semifinals for the third time in four years before falling to Marietta College, 3-2. Third baseman Craig Conway and pitcher Corey Hamman were named to the NCAA All-Tournament Team for the second straight year. Their appearance in the World Series was the 12th for the Red Hawks, who won national titles in 1987, 1993 and 2000 while finishing runner-up in 1998.

Softball

The team won the 2001 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III South Softball Championship, winning two games (7-4, 8-2) against Albright College at Quarry Field. Kim Caruso, first base, closed out her collegiate career by earning ECAC Most Valuable Player honors after hitting 9 of 18 (.500) with five doubles, five runs batted in and four runs scored in five games. The Red Hawks finished the year at 36-12 overall by winning their final three games and eight of their last 11 contests. The team finished fourth in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) with a best-ever 12-6 mark, and finished third at the NJAC Championships. The Red Hawks' 36 wins this year marked the third straight season that the team won at least 30 games, and was the 10th time in the program's history it had hit the 30-win plateau. Montclair also recorded the 700th win in the history of the program with a 10-4 victory at Richard Stockton College. Infielder Tonya Galiszewski was named a 2001 Louisville Slugger/National Fastpitch Coaches Association Division III First Team All-American.

Women's Lacrosse

Midfielder Kristen Miskey scored five goals, including three in the second half, as the women's lacrosse team closed out its 2001 campaign with a 13-7 victory at Adelphi. Jodi Gangemi scored three times against Adelphi as the Red Hawks (9-6) eclipsed the program's record for wins in a season. The previous mark was eight victories, set last year. Gangemi also set a new school record by scoring 55 goals this season, and added eight assists for 63 points. Cathy Homiek led the team in scoring with 32 goals and 42 assists, obliterating MSU marks for most assists and points in a season by one player.

Men's Lacrosse

Sean Pekarsky scored three goals as men's lacrosse finished the season with a 9-7 loss to Cabrini College. Midfielder Nick Bombardier scored twice for Montclair State while David Isidor made 17 saves. The Red Hawks, who finished the year with three straight losses, went 5-9 overall and 4-3 in Knickerbocker Lacrosse Conference (KLC) play after losing its top four scorers of a year ago. Bombardier led Montclair with 41 points in 14 games, including 28 goals and 13 assists, and paced MSU with 103 shots and 50 ground balls. He also posted a seven-goal game this year, including the game-winning goal with 2:45 to play as Montclair State edged rival Kean University, 13-12. Pekarsky finished second in team scoring with 30-7—37 points, led MSU in total goals, and was a two-time choice as KLC Rookie of the Week, while Isidor made 161 saves over 14 games. Bombardier won the lacrosse team's annual Stick 'Em award, while Red Hawk defender Scott Hall earned the prestigious Scholar-Athlete Award.

Track and Field

Nick Gregorio and Tierra Hicks earned All-American honors at the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Outdoor Track and Field Championships in Decatur, Ill. Gregorio placed seventh in the men's shot put as he recorded a throw of 16.31 meters (53 feet, 6 1/4 inches), while Hicks placed fifth in the 400-meter hurdles, posting a time of 62:33. To earn All-American status, individuals must place in the top eight in their event. MSU capped off the 2001 season as a team at the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Championships. The men finished in a tie for third place, while the women took eighth. Hicks finished second in the 400-meter dash at the NJACs, and then won the 400-meter intermediate hurdles in a time of 1:05.39. She earned All-NJAC and All-ECAC (Eastern College Athletic Conference) accolades before being named the MSU Outstanding Female Sophomore Athlete of the Year, and was also a member of the 2000-01 NJAC Academic All-Conference Team. Darryl Louis was named NJAC Most Outstanding Athlete after winning the men's 400 meters earlier this season, and finished second in the event at the NJAC Championships. He was also a member of the winning 4-by-400-meter relay team, and garnered All-ECAC and All-NJAC honors before earning MSU's Outstanding Male Sophomore Athlete of the Year. Tom Baldwin won the Men's 1500 meters at the NJACs in a time of 3:58.93. Gregorio finished second at the NJACs in the shot put with a throw of 15.62 meters.

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The Mochary/Kasser family gave a gift from the heart with a $4-million donation toward the construction of a new theater at Montclair State in memory of Alexander Kasser. Pictured with Montclair State President Susan A. Cole (center) are I. Michael Kasser (second from right), his sister, Mary V. Mochary (right), and Mochary's two children, Matthew Mochary (left) and Alexandra Bergstein.

Family's gift helps support new theater

The distinguished Washington, D.C. attorney, former Montclair mayor and former U.S. Senate candidate Mary V. Mochary took to the podium at the University's annual fund-raising dinner, where more than 260 guests gathered to support the construction of a new theater that will bear her father's name.

"About 50 years ago my parents were living in Long Island and they found they had a child prodigy in the family, and it wasn't me," Mochary joked. "It was my brother, and they had to decide where to send him to school because he had a very special mind and they wanted a very special school for him. Out of all the schools in the metropolitan area he could have gone to, they chose Montclair State College High School, which was the demonstration school at Montclair State. That was the reason we came to Montclair and we loved it."

Mochary and her brother, I. Michael Kasser, along with other family members, made a $4-million leadership gift to the theater in honor of their late father, Alexander Kasser, an international philanthropist, art lover and one-time Montclair resident.

The 500-seat, $19-million Alexander Kasser Theater will celebrate Kasser's life and accomplishments and be a permanent tribute to the family's enduring commitment to Montclair, the arts and philanthropy.

"Montclair State is an important part of our family history," Kasser said. "While our parents were truly a couple of the world, they retained a special place in their hearts for this community and its people."

Designed by the leading architectural firm the Hillier Group, the theater is scheduled to open in 2004.

"I am very grateful to the Mochary/Kasser family," Montclair State President

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The Inside Track

Susan A. Cole
President
Montclair State University

Montclair State University and New Jersey Transit have joined together to create an exciting new initiative to serve the University's students and residents in the surrounding townships. Gov. James E. McGreevey and Congressman William J. Pascrell came to campus June 10 to announce the creation of the Montclair Direct, a project that will provide direct rail service from the University to mid-town Manhattan, serving a number of New Jersey communities on the way.

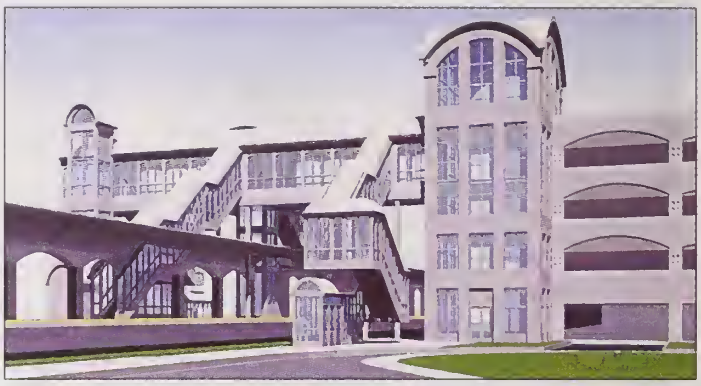
The project includes a beautiful new train station (see artist's rendering below) on the west side of the campus, across the road from our four new residence halls currently under construction, and close to the Yogi Berra Stadium and Museum. The mission-style station will be a public transit jewel, with an 800-foot center island, a high-level platform with canopies, and a 1,300-space parking garage. The parking deck, the station platforms and the campus will be connected by a pedestrian overpass served by elevators and stairs.

The advantages to the University will be profound. In addition to providing a mass transit option for our students, faculty, staff and visitors, the train service will provide a direct, safe and easy way for our students to take advantage of the cultural opportunities in New York City. The new parking garage will provide another much-needed facility for our growing University.

So if you are tracking the calendar of the University's major projects, in 2003 look for our first 1,100-space parking garage and four new residence halls. In 2004, it's the new Alexander Kasser Theater, the Montclair State University train station and 1,300-space parking garage, and, in 2005, look for our largest new academic building and home to the College of Education and Human Services.

All the development at Montclair State University is designed to serve the growing demand for high-quality, affordable higher education in the state and the region. To the extent that our new partnership with NJ Transit will enable us to encourage the use of mass transportation options and make the state's second largest higher educational asset available to people through high-quality mass transit, we will have provided a major educational service to the people of New Jersey. This project is a wonderful example of new government in action. It unites major New Jersey institutions and enables them, working together, to accomplish things that never could have been accomplished alone.

All aboard for Montclair State University in the 21st century!



Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

On behalf of the entire Alumni Association, greetings and salutations. For about 2,500 of you, this is your first greeting as alumni. Congratulations on graduating from students to alumni! This, my first column as president of the Alumni Association, focuses on our newest members, but the message certainly extends to all alumni.

One of the many aspects of family is fellowship. Fellowship can be defined as "a community of interest, activity, feeling or experience." I can think of no better way of defining what it means to be an alumnus or alumna of Montclair State University than to say that we are "family."

We are all a part of this unique and special community—a community that has shared a great deal in our years together. No matter when those years were, we make up all the elements of a community, a fellowship and, therefore, a family.

One of the great things about family is that we are always part of a group. Whether it is the family that has taken care of us all these years or the family that we joined in our time at Montclair State, we remain a member of the group.

Membership in the Alumni Association has important benefits. We are supported and assisted if we need help. We are encouraged and congratulated on our successes. And we are welcome when we come home. Remember that Montclair State is one of your homes. Come back and visit often.

The other side of this membership is responsibility. Like being part of any family, it is often the side that we rebel against. From not taking out the garbage to not finishing a paper on time, we fight against deadlines.

There are, however, some responsibilities that we cannot, and should not, forget. When members of our family need help, we must be there.

I ask all alumni to remember our fellow Montclair State family members as our newest graduates make their way into the work world. Remember our family when we are looking at a recent graduate seeking a job. Remember our family when we have the opportunity to reach out and offer guidance when asked.

By working together and helping each other we continue to keep the Montclair State family as a true community.

If we have learned nothing else over the past year, let us have learned that when help is needed, we will rise to the occasion and provide that help. Carpe Diem!

School fosters environmental awareness

BY BILL VALLADARES

Nestled in the heart of Stokes State Forest in Sussex County, the New Jersey School of Conservation (NJSOC) at one time may have been Montclair State University's best-kept secret. But for the thousands of children, teachers and environmentalists who utilize the school each year, the NJSOC is a well-known treasure in the woods.

William Thomas, the school's new director, is determined to spread the word even further about the University's environmental education field campus. "Our community is the entire state," he said. "But we want to be more than a good neighbor. We want to plant the seeds of environmental ethic in children throughout New Jersey."

Thomas echoes the school's mission, which is to foster and cultivate the development of an environmentally sound value system that incorporates ethical, aesthetic and economic elements.

"I've put my entire life into conservation preservation," said Thomas. "We receive free services from our forests. They provide clean air and clean water, so every bit of land we set aside for preservation is valuable to all living creatures."

Part of the College of Science and Mathematics, the NJSOC, a 240-acre tract located just an hour away from the Montclair State campus, is the largest and oldest university-operated environmental education center in the nation.

The school offers two- and three-day programs for children that include canoeing, water biology, beaver ecology and traditional skills like woodworking. "We also incorporate the social science aspect of ecology," said Thomas. "Students need to understand that people are part of the environment and that we have an impact on one another."

Thomas credits Nicholas Smith-Sebasto, NJSOC assistant director who served as interim director, with re-introducing professional development for teachers. Each year the school provides environmental education programs for nearly 9,000 elementary/secondary school students, and nearly 1,000 teachers from 100 schools.

Prior to coming to Montclair State, Thomas was a faculty member in the Department of Anthropology at Marquette University in Milwaukee, Wis.

"I draw on my experience in policy and administration, and my research in traditional knowledge to develop conservation programs for the earth's remaining wild lands," he said.

Thomas grew up in a steel milling town in Ohio, and after earning a bachelor's degree in economics from Marietta College he took a position as personnel manager in one of the biggest steel mills in the world. Later he earned a Ph.D. in anthropology from Arizona State University, which led him to research the impact of North American hunter-gatherers, East African pastoralists and New Guinea horticulturalists on the conservation of biodiversity. His most recent research has focused on recording traditional ethno-ecological knowledge of societies found in unexplored New Guinea. That research, he said, will ultimately provide the basis for a modern conservation plan for the largest wilderness area in Oceania and be expanded to inform conservation education in the developed world.

"Globally our work is twofold," he said. "We have to solidify what we do, and create a field station for researchers. When I presented my research on the impact of human beings on the forest at an international conference in England, I had a chance to tell what we can offer people in other countries.

"We also need to identify what teachers would like to take back to their classrooms. Our plan is to build a center for citizen science. People want to do the right thing but don't know where to start, so we're going to set up weekend workshops that will allow people to develop urban gardens. We want to be a leader in conservation in the state."

Professor receives Guggenheim fellowship

Montclair State has its first Guggenheim recipient—Robert Aldridge of the Department of Music.

He received the fellowship from the John Simon Guggenheim Memorial Foundation in May. "This is a prestigious award and I'm honored I was selected to receive it," said Aldridge, one of 184 grant winners selected from more than 2,800 applicants.

The award will allow Aldridge to finish composing his opera, "Elmer Gantry." Based on the Sinclair Lewis novel about a corrupt preacher, it will be performed in Tulsa, Germany and Finland in 2004. He will take a one-year sabbatical from teaching to complete the opera.

The Guggenheim Foundation provides fellowships for advanced professionals in natural sciences, social sciences, humanities and creative arts to assist research and artistic creation. This is the 78th year of the annual competition that attracts applicants from across the United States and Canada.

Applicants for Guggenheim fellowships are matched against others working in their own field and then against all others in the competition in a rigorous selection process. The Foundation considers advanced professionals to be those who as writers, scholars or scientists have a significant record of publication, or who as artists, playwrights, filmmakers, photographers, composers, or the like, have a significant record of exhibition or performance of their work.

"The Guggenheim Award bestows great prestige on Bob Aldridge, reflecting the high regard that the music community holds him and his music," said Ting Ho, chair of the Music Department. "This is an internationallly significant award. Bob's Guggenheim will further demonstrate to the music community the quality and stature of our award-winning music composition faculty."

University plays important role in communities

In a preschool in Newark, directors are getting training in mentoring and leadership skills. In Pennsylvania and New York, high school students are looking forward each year to coming to the Montclair State campus for academically challenging classes in science, math and the humanities. In Costa Rica, teachers and administrators from schools in Latin America and the United States are learning how to implement Montclair State's Philosophy for Children curriculum into their schools.

The University plays an integral role in bettering communities both near and far, and many of the outreach programs that benefit the community and its people are made possible through public and private funding. From the generous gifts made by friends of the University (see story on page 1) to grants from foundations and corporations, Montclair State is committed to making an important difference.

- Children, from grade school to high school, benefit from several University programs and initiatives, including Peace Camp. Started as a pilot program at St. Mary's Hospital in Hoboken, Peace Camp came to campus last summer to teach children about conflict resolution. Funded by the Ann Earle Talcott Fund managed by First Union National Bank, Montclair State's Peace Camp hosts children ages 8 through 13 from neighboring urban areas.

- The University continues to play a significant role in the professional development of today's teachers. These programs are funded by the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation, the Victoria Foundation, the Schumann Fund, the Commission on Higher Education and others. Because of their contributions, Montclair State has become an internationally recognized institution for the improvement of education, and is headquarters for the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal, a partnership with 23 school districts.

- The Rainforest Connection is one program in the sciences educating teachers and students in more than 40 schools in New Jersey and Florida (see story next page).

- The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has recognized the University's commitment to the community by awarding a $399,000 grant to establish a Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC) in the township of Montclair. The grant will allow Montclair State to work with community organizations and residents in the Pine Street and Glenfield Park sections of Montclair.

"The vitality of both the town and the University will be significantly en-

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Scientist makes connection from rainforest in Panama

BY GAIL CORRIGAN '95

It wasn't until a visit to a Jersey City kindergarten class that Dr. Jacalyn Willis fully realized the impact of her research on the community.

"When I visit classrooms, there are always questions like, 'What's your favorite animal?' 'Have you ever been attacked by anything?' or 'How do you go to the bathroom?' " said Willis. "But I was very impressed with the children's knowledge of the rainforest when they asked such questions as: 'What do the animals need to survive?' and 'What are you looking for in your research?' They had constructed a rainforest out of crepe paper in their classroom and they were learning about the animals. They had a real sense of what a scientist does and wanted to learn more."

Willis, director of PRISM (Professional Resources in Science and Mathematics) at Montclair State, is a tropical ecologist who has studied population fluctuations of forest mammals for the past 20 years. A graduate of the City University of New York, she is a researcher for the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute and has been directing professional development programs for teachers since 1995.

Willis first visited the tropical rainforest in Panama in August 1974, and was so enchanted by the forests and people, she returned again that December and has visited almost every year since. She has spent most of her life either studying animals in their natural settings or teaching about them. Her partner in these adventures since 1980 has been her husband, Gregory E. Willis. In 1983, the couple began a research project that has led to an exhibit at the National Zoo in Washington, DC, where they will display remote photographs, artifacts and her notebooks.

PRISM, which was established with a $2.8 million grant from the National Science Foundation, in addition to funds from the Edison Fund, the Turrell Fund, the EXXON Corporation and the New Jersey Statewide Systemic Initiative, helps K-8 teachers learn strategies and methods to teach science and math effectively and enthusiastically.

One component of the Rainforest Connection is to increase girls' interest in science. Pictured are students from the Hillside Intermediate School with Jacalyn Willis (second from left) visiting a school yard habitat at Jackson Academy in East Orange.

"It's imperative to reach the younger grades because they have such a warped conception of science and what scientists do," Willis said. "In one school, children had an assignment to make pictures of what a scientist looks like and what they do. I visited shortly after to talk about science and the children had magical explanations for everything and the scientists all looked like Harry Potter."

The Rainforest Connection, which is part of the PRISM project that helps enrich science education, began when Willis and her husband realized they could use e-mail to communicate with school children in New Jersey. The word quickly spread and today more than 40 schools throughout the state and Florida participate in the Rainforest Connection. In addition to reading e-mails, the children also can see the work Willis is doing by viewing photos on the Internet. Earlier this year, Willis visited a Bridgewater school to discuss the rainforest. "The children get really excited when I discuss my research, and they always ask, 'When can we come with you?' "

Spanish-speaking children from around the world also communicate with Willis about her research. Anna Mazzarro, PRISM program assistant, who accompanied Willis to Panama this year, translates incoming messages and then posts journal entries for the Rainforest Connection. Since 1997, the Web site, http://www.csam.montclair.edu/ceterms/rainforest/RFC2002/RFC-02d.html, has kept students up-to-date about the annual visit to Panama. Upon her next visit in January, Willis hopes to make a live video connection that students will be able to watch as she tours the rainforest.

"Turning science into a worthwhile experience outside of the classroom is every bit as important as sitting in a classroom," said Willis. "Through the Rainforest Connection I can 'visit' New Jersey schools from Panama and teach ecology from thousands of miles away. The Rainforest Connection expands the classroom and links children's experiences to those of scientists."

Teachers in PRISM institutes learn the use of outdoor experiences to foster questioning skills. "Children require the stimulation of natural habitats for the full development of their curiosity," she said. "City living makes the job of teacher harder than it ought to be."

New Theater

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William Farlie (second from left), a former mayor of Montclair and chair of the Montclair State University Community Advisory Board, shows his wife, Barbara, the artist's rendering of the Alexander Kasser Theater, while Wayne DeFeo (center), president of the Alumni Association, chats with Sandy Polledri and John Vreeland of the law firm of Genova, Burns & Vernioa.

Susan A. Cole said. "What they have started to build here is going to stand for generations. Thanks to their generosity, thousands upon thousands of students, faculty and members of the community are going to have opportunities for learning, teaching and access to the arts that otherwise would never have been available to them."

Mochary said the gift is the family's way of giving back "to an institution and a community that has done so much for us. We are delighted to be able to do this.

"I hope this gift we are giving and this wonderful theater will continue to provide opportunities to talented people for generations to come."

Mochary is widely known for her generous support of a wide range of civic and social organizations. Kasser is founder of the Holualoa Companies, a real estate investment and management company, with offices from Hawaii to Paris.

Born in Budapest, Alexander Kasser earned an engineering degree from the University of Grenoble, France. By age 29, he was managing the largest paper mill in Eastern Europe.

In 1944 he organized and co-directed the Swedish Red Cross in Hungary, a group of humanitarians who worked to save hundreds of persecuted Jews and political targets. In 1997 he was awarded the title of "Righteous Among the Nations" by the Holocaust Museum in Yad Vashem, Israel, for his humanitarian activities.

After the war, Dr. Kasser relocated his family first to Mexico and then Montclair. In the United States he started a consulting and engineering firm that focused on building pulp and paper mills. In 1969, he and his wife, Elisabeth, created the Kasser Art Foundation.

Dr. Kasser died in Vienna in 1997 at the age of 88. Elisabeth, who passed away earlier this year at age 82, was an enthusiastic supporter of the vision of the theater.

Generous support for the May 8 dinner was provided by First Union Bank, Fleet Bank, the Prudential Insurance Company of America, Schering Plough Research Institute and the Hillier Group.

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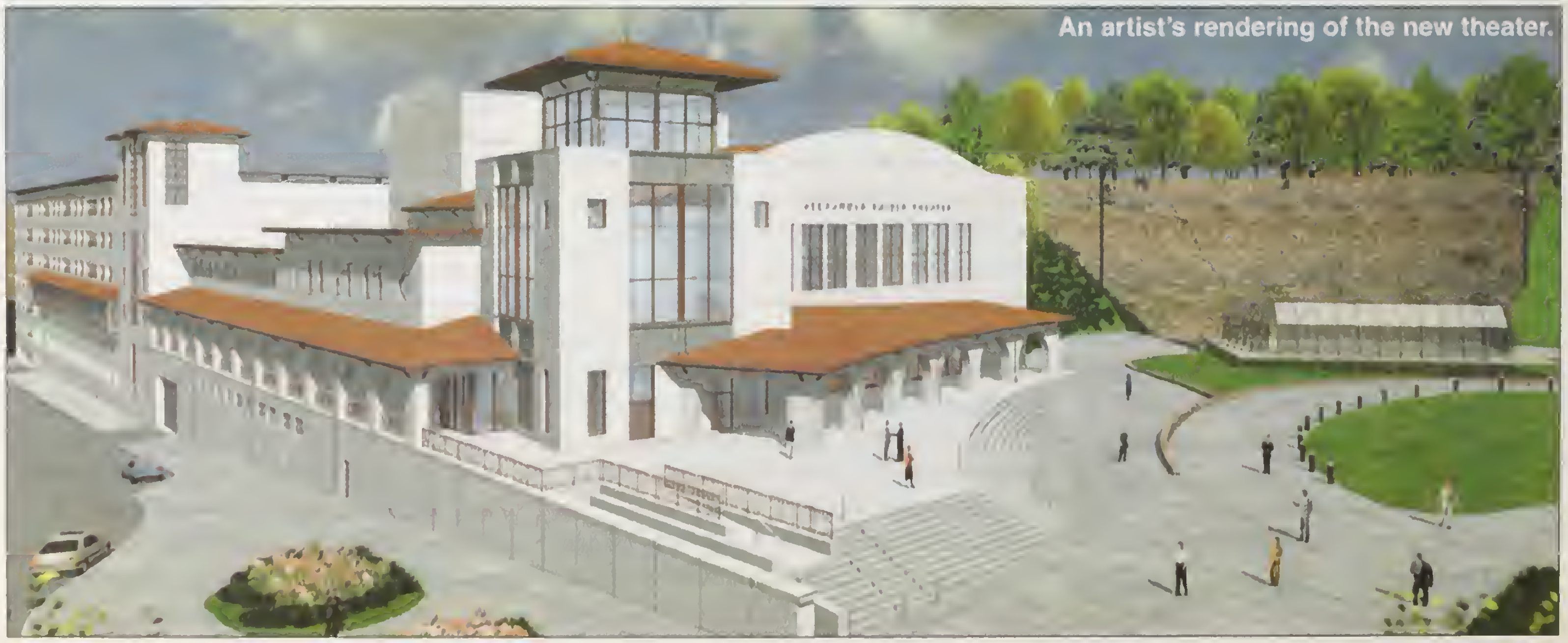
For information on providing financial support for the theater, contact Nancy Hutchinson, director of Major Gifts, at 973-655-5454 or e-mail hutchinson@mail.montclair.edu.



An artist's rendering of the new theater.

ADP Foundation gift to support state-of-the-art teacher prep center

BY PHYLLIS MILLER

With New Jersey and the nation facing a critical shortage of teachers, Montclair State University, a national leader in the field of teacher preparation, has received a gift of $2 million from the ADP Foundation toward construction of the Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies. The Center will be the heart of a new $68-million academic building that will house the College of Education and Human Services, the University's technology hub, and a large number of technology-enabled classrooms.

Montclair State graduates 350 qualified teachers each year, and plans to increase that number to 600, with growth targeted to providing teachers for high-need districts in critical shortage areas such as math, science, early childhood education, special education and world languages. Approximately 2,000 teachers each year participate in Montclair State's continuing professional development programs, and the University plans to increase that number to 8,000 annually. In addition, the University reaches 24,000 school children each year through university/school partnership activities, and that number will be increased to 150,000 annually, more than 11 percent of the students currently in New Jersey's public schools.

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> *–Montclair State President Susan A. Cole*

"The resources most critical to the University's ability to accomplish the expansion of its core capacity to produce highly qualified teachers are space and technology," said President Susan A. Cole. "The new facility will solve the space problem, and the ADP Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies will solve the technology problem. It will stand as an important resource for the state, modeling best practices in teacher education and school improvement efforts. I am extraordinarily grateful to ADP and the ADP Foundation for its gift, which will have a significant impact on the ability of New Jersey to fill its urgent need for qualified teachers. We are honored by the confidence in Montclair State University that ADP has demonstrated."

Arthur Weinbach, chairman and chief executive officer of ADP, said improving the quality of education is a high priority for the ADP Foundation. "We are proud to join Montclair State in improving teacher education, especially in the use of information technology to improve the educational experience."

"A compelling and growing body of research shows that the single greatest determinant of student achievement is, quite simply, teacher quality," Cole said. "With highly competent teachers, students will learn. No matter how much attention is paid to all the other variables, until all the schools in our state are staffed with highly qualified teachers, we will not make a serious dent in educational deficiencies."

The ADP Center will provide that technological literacy. Designed to be a lighthouse for the use of technology for educational programs, its facilities will educate future teachers in the use of technology to support student achievement; provide professional development for teachers already in the classroom; and bring University faculty, school teachers, teacher candidates and school children together electronically to support the teaching and learning environment in schools throughout the state.

The importance of this project to New Jersey has been recognized by New Jersey's congressional delegation. The state delegation, led by Senators Robert Torricelli and John Corzine and Congressman William Pascrell, succeeded in getting an appropriation of $750,000 for the new building in the last federal budget, and they have pledged to work for a total of $5 million for the project.

In the ADP Center

The Instructional Technology Design Laboratory. Here teacher education students will be able to construct digitally enhanced projects and learn about equipment incorporating digital audio and video, and streaming media. The laboratory will enable the University to design and implement collaborative online professional programs for thousands of teachers, and will serve as a core facility for the University's graduate program for instructional technology specialists.

The Curriculum Resource Center. This will be the repository for digital, print, audio and video pedagogy materials. Students and teachers will be able to access instructional design tools, resources, model lesson plans, projects and activities, multimedia recordings of conferences, downloadable curriculum design tools and digital library resources.

Classrooms of the Future. These will provide a living model of what a flexible, high-tech, highly functional classroom could do to enhance student learning. Electronically connected with working classrooms in Montclair State's partner schools, they will enable teachers and students in those schools to be present in the same learning environment with University faculty, students and other teachers. The classrooms will be fully networked and supportive of wireless devices, and equipment will be installed in a way that keeps the students and teaching as central, rather than the technology.

The Teaching Laboratory. This laboratory will function as the place where the nuts and bolts of technology equipment are taught, learning how to apply technology and how to use technological tools. It will also be available as a resource for teachers in schools that do not yet have adequate instructional technology, and a source of advice for school administrators who wish to make appropriate investments in teaching and learning technologies.

Spanning the University

CAMPUS NEWS

Red Hawk pride hits state's capital

Trenton was overflowing with Red Hawk pride this spring. A day of activities took place in March, when the state's capital celebrated Montclair State University Day.

Montclair State alumni legislators and staff started the day with a breakfast in their honor at the State House. Among those in attendance were Sen. Andrew Ciesla '75, Sen. and Newark Mayor Sharpe James '58, Assemblyman Scott Garrett '81 and Assemblywoman Barbara Buono '75.

President Susan A. Cole outlined plans for expansion and growth at their alma mater. The state leaders also learned about opportunities to return to campus to speak to political science and pre-law classes.

Approximately 50 Montclair State students participated in the event, which included a special tour of the State House and the opportunity to attend a legislative voting session.

The day-long program culminated with a cocktail reception at the War Memorial where attendees viewed displays from each of MSU's colleges and schools.

Director of Government Relations Gabrielle Charette, who organized the event, said MSU Day in Trenton was fun and informative for everyone involved. "Our alumni in the state's capital heard about the exciting projects underway at Montclair State, and our students had a firsthand look at how our state government operates," she said.

Dance scholarship... Dance major Noel Hingston (center) is the recipient of the Thomas H. Kean Scholarship awarded by the Garden State Arts Center Foundation. The award is based on talent, academics and service to the campus community. Pictured with Hingston, (from left) are Ronald Gravino, commissioner of the New Jersey Highway Authority; Ann Lewis, who presented the award in memory of her husband, Aubrey C. Lewis, former commissioner of the N.J. Highway Authority and president of the Garden State Arts Center Foundation; and Lori Katterhenry and Linda Roberts of Montclair State's Department of Dance.

University receives Support of Diversity award

Montclair State University has been honored with the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE) Best Practice Award in Support of Diversity.

The award recognizes individuals and institutions contributing to positive practices that promote diversity in teacher education.

"This prestigious award recognizes educational programs that have infused diversity into teacher education," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. "At Montclair State, we are firmly committed to ensuring that all our academic disciplines are inclusive, multicultural and open to all. We know that a society is only as strong as it is inclusive, and we are proud that our efforts have been recognized by AACTE."

The University's Center of Pedagogy is recognized as a leading institution in the preparation of professional educators. The New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal is the foundation for school-based educators' participation in the Center and the vehicle for MSU's collaboration with 23 school districts and more than 750 professional educators.

The Center brings together faculty from education, the arts and sciences, and public schools to address ongoing teacher education and to promote the center's vision of teachers as ethical decision-makers who embrace the value of diversity and are committed to changing inequitable school practices. This vision treats democratic practice, equity and social justice as central themes of the teacher education program and deeply impacts MSU, guiding and informing all aspects of the teacher education program.

Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services, accepted the award on behalf of the University at a ceremony in New York City.

"The 750 AACTE member institutions nationally graduate approximately 90 percent of the nation's new teachers and other educators each year," she said. "To be honored by the Association that is at the forefront of teacher education nationally is a true honor, and indicative of the truly inclusive and caring nature of Montclair State University."

Gov. appoints President Cole to Education cabinet

Montclair State President Susan A. Cole was appointed to New Jersey Governor James E. McGreevey's Education Cabinet.

The top priority education will hold in his administration, McGreevey said the Education Cabinet will be responsible for ensuring that students receive the education they need to succeed in a 21st century workplace.

"Education is the engine that will continue to drive our state economy," McGreevey said. "Our telecom, pharmaceutical, computer science and biotech industries have specific workforce needs and we must do more to ensure that they can find workers with the right skills here in our state. In accomplishing this goal, collaboration between our business community and all levels of our education system—from pre-k to our colleges and universities —will be essential."

Cole said the governor understands the pivotal role of education in the state's future. "His creation of an Education Cabinet is a striking indicator of his total commitment to educational excellence," she said.

The governor has charged the Education Cabinet with making the state's education system a seamless web from preschool to college and beyond so students are prepared to meet the needs of New Jersey's businesses and have the skills necessary to help them compete in the changing economy.

Cole also was presented by the Northern New Jersey Council of the Boy Scouts of America with its Woman of the Year award at its annual Tribute to Women dinner in December at the Westmont Country Club in Paterson.

"I am honored by this wonderful award," Cole said. "The Council not only espouses the enduring Boy Scout belief in ethical and moral training, but has publicly stated its belief in 'tolerance of human difference.' We heartily endorse the concept that a society is only as strong as it is inclusive."

Also honored was Judith K. Winn, president of Bergen Community College. Past recipients of the Woman of the Year award are Joan Verplanck, president of the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce; Montclair State alumna Marion Bolden, superintendent of Newark Public Schools; Sister Patrice Werner, O.P., president of Caldwell College; Elizabeth Randall, former assemblywoman and commissioner of Banking and Insurance for New Jersey; and Maria Nuccetelli, superintendent of Passiac County Schools.

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Jazzin' it up... The venue was Newark's Penn Station for the Montclair State University Jazz Band, which provided some cool sounds for New Jersey politicians who boarded 20 Amtrak railroad cars in February for the annual train ride to Washington sponsored by the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce. MSU President Susan A. Cole stole a moment from the hustle and bustle to commend band members (from left) Meredith Forman on alto sax, Misha Satkhiyev on guitar, Jazz Band Director Adam Niewood on drums and Justin Lee on bass.

Something to dance about

"The biggest thing in the history of dance at Montclair State" is how Lori Katterhenry of the Dance and Theatre Department described the selection of two dance groups selected to perform at the Kennedy Center in May.

The first piece, "Quadrabox," was chosen at the Northeast Regional American College Dance Festival to represent the Northeast Region at the National Amercian College Dance Festival at the Kennedy Center. Montclair State was the only school in New Jersey, New York, Connecticut or Massachusetts selected for the performance.

Then, as a result of a $10,000 grant from the National College Choreography Initiative, six Montclair State dancers were selected to present Sean Curran's "Metal Garden" at the closing night of the Festival on May 15. Montclair State was one of only 12 colleges and universities nationwide chosen to perform.

"To be selected for performance in these two national dance events is extremely gratifying," Katterhenry said. "The dancers in these two works represented our dance program, our university and our state in two public and prestigious forums. Because we have been selected for so many of the National American College Festivals—five of the last seven—it reconfirms that the dance program at Montclair State stands proudly among the top dance institutions in the nation."

Spanning the University

Vice president to head national association

Karen Pennington, vice president for Student Development and Campus Life, has been elected president of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators (NASPA), the leading student affairs association in the country.

In a letter congratulating Pennington on her election, NASPA Executive Director Gwendolyn Jordan Dungy said, "Your enthusiasm and clear commitment to NASPA, coupled with your knowledge of the association, the profession and the NASPA Board of Directors, all bode well for a stellar term as president."

Pennington will spend one year as president-elect before taking over as president in March 2003. With 8,500 members at nearly 1,200 universities, NASPA focuses on leadership, professional development and excellence in the field.

ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni recognized at NJAHPERD Convention

Montclair State alumni, faculty and students exemplified quality leadership at the New Jersey Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance (NJAHPERD) Convention held in East Brunswick in February.

Among the alumni recognized were: **John Smith** '71 '72 M.A. for Distinguished Leadership. Smith teaches physical education in Ho-Ho-Kus. He has been cited for his national recognition as an exemplary physical educator for his leadership in the state association workshops and in the community.

Elieen Shafer '80 for Outstanding Teacher of the Year. Shafer is the supervisor of physical education and health in the Paterson school district. She was cited for her leadership within the district and local community.

Christine Baccarella '73 for Outstanding Teacher of the Year. Baccarella teaches physical education at the Horce Mann School in Bayonne. She was cited for her leadership in the Jump Rope for Heart Program and her pioneer efforts in the schools' unified arts program.

Faculty member **Michele Fisher** of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies (HPPERLS) was awarded Outstanding Teacher of the Year and student, **Susie Cipriano**, received the Dr. Lilyan B. Wright award for Student of the Year.

More than 60 alumni at the conference attended a reception hosted by the Alumni Association. They mingled and shared their success stories with Domenica Desiderioscioli of HPPERLS and Department Chair Tim Sullivan, who serve on the NJAHPERD Executive Board. During his remarks, Sullivan observed that the Association Past President Sharyn Robbins '70, President John Grzymko '70 and President-elect Christine Baccarella '73 are alumni who are "making it happen" by providing leadership within their profession.

Super superintendents... Montclair State alumni who are school superintendents gathered for the annual Superintendents Breakfast sponsored by the Alumni Association. The May 9 event gave the group an opportunity to network, exchange ideas and talk about education issues. Pictured front row, from left, are Louis Centolanza '71 M.A., Frank Alvarez '76, Elaine Baldwin '71, Anne Wilkins '74 M.A. and Gregory L. Waters, vice president for University Advancement. Pictured back row, from left, are Deb Corasio of Alumni Relations, Mario Cardinale '76 '80 M.A., Robert Grady '70 M.A., Dean of Education and Human Services Ada Beth Cutler, William Liess '58, and Naima Nguvu and Philip Thomas '77 of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC). Thomas shared with the group educational opportunities available at NJPAC.

Alumni scholarships assist students in academic pursuit

The Montclair State University Alumni Association awarded more than $60,000 in scholarships to 37 deserving students at its annual scholarship reception April 8. To see pictures from the reception go to www.montclair.edu/alumnilife.

The Association has awarded scholarships and grants to MSU students for the past 25 years. The scholarships are funded directly from alumni through direct mail, the annual phone-a-thon and private donations.

Some of the awards include the Non-traditional Part-time Scholarship that recognizes students who have maintained high academic standards while actively involved in University and community activities. The Undergraduate Carpe Diem award acknowledges undergraduates who have had to overcome difficult circumstances and adversity during the pursuit of their educational goal. The Undergraduate Service Award recognizes students who have achieved high levels of performance in service to the University and community while maintaining strong academic proficiency.

"The scholarship reception is clearly my most pleasurable event that we do," said Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A., president of the Alumni Association. "The response we receive is remarkable. I've had students thank me for not having to drop out of school, and parents thank me for facilitating that their children remain in school. That's why we do it."

For more information on any of the scholarships or to donate to the Annual Fund, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141.

Is there a doctor in the house? Eleven Montclair State University graduates who participated in the Health Careers Program have been accepted to health professions schools this academic year. Pictured (front row, from left) are Flavia De La Cruz '02 (University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMD-NJ) Medical School), Darlene Guerrier '02 (Ross University School of Medicine), Chadwick Leo '02 (New York College of Osteopathic Medicine), Devin McDonald '02 (UMD-NJ Medical School), Melissa Colon '02, (UMD-NJ Dental School), (back row, from left) Markitta Jemerson-Dixon '01 (Pennsylvania College of Optometry), Melina Bendezu '00 (UMD-NJ School of Osteopathic Medicine), Mariela Torres '02 (UMD-NJ Medical School), Miguel Coba '02 (UMD-NJ Medical School) and Alina Tyndall '02 (UMD-NJ Medical School). Not pictured is Estelle Docteur '02 (UMD-NJ Medical School).

Story time... Two groups of elementary school students had the opportunity to hear Montclair State alumna Paula Danziger '67, '72 M.A., author of several award-winning children's books including the Amber Brown series, talk about her life as a writer. Students from Franklin School in Newark joined Danziger in the University's Distance Learning Room while a class from Warren Point School in Fair Lawn participated in the talk via videoconferencing. Later in the day Danziger was the guest speaker at the second annual Author Talk sponsored by the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education, the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal and the Alumni Association. Read more about Danziger in the next issue of *Alumni Life.*

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141, e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu, or go to www.montclair edu/pages/alumni/alumnievents.html.

July 16 and Aug. 27:
New Jersey Jackals Game at Yogi Berra Stadium

Oct. 19:
Homecoming

Nov. (date TBA):
Annual Luncheon

Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this spring. For more information, call 973-746-6258, or check the Web at www.montclair.edu/athletics.shtml.

Baseball

The Red Hawks finished at 22-15 overall and 10-8 in New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) play. Senior left-handed pitcher Corey Hamman was named NJAC Pitcher of the Year while freshman outfielder Ethan Boyd was chosen NJAC Co-Rookie of the Year. Hamman finished with a record of 6-4 with 81 strikeouts in 88 innings pitched, while Boyd batted .329 with 46 hits, 36 runs scored, 21 RBIs and 13 doubles. Senior shortstop Brian Ellerson completed his four-year career by batting .403 this season with a team-high 56 hits, 43 runs scored, 32 RBIs, 16 doubles, 10 stolen bases and five home runs. He was chosen as MSU Co-Outstanding Athlete of the Year, and finished up with four hits and three runs scored in Montclair's season-ending 16-7 win over York (Pa.). Junior infielder Joe Giacomiazzio led MSU with a .407 batting average and tied Ellerson with five homers. Hamman and Ellerson were taken in the first day of the 2002 Major League Baseball First-Year Player Draft by the Detroit Tigers and the Montreal Expos, respectively.

Men's Golf

Montclair State finished second in a tri-meet with St. Peter's and Wagner on April 4 as senior Ron Gerhold, Jr. shot a 9-over-par 80, and then took first place six days later at the Blue Jay Classic in Hershey, Pa. as Gerhold and sophomore Brian Peterson each posted a team-best score of 77. The Red Hawks then won the MSU Classic on April 15 as sophomore Jordan Petrill carded an 8-over-par 80, and concluded the campaign with an eighth-place finish at the Glenmaura (Pa.) Invitational on April 21 as Petrill carded a 156 over two days.

Men's Lacrosse

The Red Hawks rebounded from a 5-9 campaign in 2001 with a 9-4 mark and the ninth winning season in Head Coach Doug Alsofrom's MSU career. Three Red Hawks were named to the 2002 Knickerbocker Conference Lacrosse Team: junior goalkeeper Vinny DeGennaro, sophomore attacker Sean Pekarsky and freshman defenseman Roi Klipper. Pekarsky led MSU with 41 points, while DeGennaro posted 155 saves in 13 outings and Klipper was third on the squad with 40 ground balls. Sophomore attacker Chris Meixner paced Montclair with 33 goals, while junior midfielder Matt Von Klemperer led the Red Hawks with 28 assists and earned the team's annual Stick 'Em Award.

Women's Lacrosse

Montclair State fell to 5-7 this season but still witnessed several outstanding individual performances at Sprague Field. Sophomore midfielder Cathy Homiek broke her own school records with 49 assists and 81 points en route to earning MSU Female Sophomore Athlete of the Year status, while junior attacker Jodi Gangemi led all Red Hawks with a career-high 49 goals. Senior midfielder Kristen Miskey concluded her career with 32 goals, while classmate Donna Russo notched 12 goals and took home the MSU Poet Sportsmanship Award. Freshman goalkeeper Diana Gil played in all 12 games in her first MSU campaign, registering 141 saves.

Softball

Montclair State finished 30-11 overall (12-6 NJAC), winning at least 30 games for the fourth straight season, while also claiming its third consecutive Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III South championship with a 4-1 win over Drew University on May 15 at Quarry Field. The win was also the 375th of Head Coach Anita Kubicka's career at Montclair State. Freshman outfielder Megan Sweeney was named the ECAC Most Valuable Player after notching seven hits and batting in five runs in three MSU victories. Freshman infielder Kari McDonnell led MSU in nearly every offensive category this spring, batting .392 with 50 runs batted in, 49 hits and 41 runs scored, plus 15 doubles and 11 home runs. She also earned First Team All-NJAC, NFCA First Team All-East Region, and Louisville Slugger/NFCA Division III Second Team All-American accolades, was tabbed as NJAC Rookie Player of the Year, and tied a school record with two home runs in one game (twice). Senior pitcher Tara Todaro went 13-6 with a career-high 157 strikeouts, and was named All-NJAC and the MSU Senior Female Athlete of the Year.

Men's Tennis

Montclair State improved significantly upon a one-win campaign a year ago, finishing 6-5 overall. The Red Hawks recorded two victories over New Jersey Institute of Technology, and single wins against Kings Point, Stevens Tech, Ramapo, and CCNY, and won five times on the road. Junior Ronald Lee finished a team-best 8-1 in singles play, winning his last six matches, while freshmen Eric Bollinger and Zakir Ahmed both went 6-3. Ahmed combined with junior Justin Juba to fashion a team-best 6-3 mark in doubles, while Lee and classmate Michael Miller finished at 5-3.

Outdoor Track and Field

The Red Hawks concluded one of their most successful outdoor seasons at the NCAA Division III Championships in St. Paul, Minn. in May. Freshman Nacole Moore, the MSU Freshman Female Athlete of the Year, captured the shot put title with a school-record throw of 48-feet, nine-inches, becoming the first MSU female athlete to win an individual event at the NCAA Outdoor Championships. Junior Tierra Hicks was named a two-time All-American, finishing second in the 400-meter hurdles and third in the 400 meters. On the men's side, sophomore Enrique Llanos placed second in the 110 hurdles while freshman Ernest Tymes finished third in the triple jump. Senior Nick Gregorio and junior Darryl Louis each placed eighth in the shot put and 400 meters, respectively. Hicks, who was named the Atlantic Region Athlete of the Year by the United States Track and Field Coaches Association, was named the Gerrity Award Winner for the Outstanding Female Athlete at the 2002 New Jersey Athletic Conference Championships, while Moore and Tymes were selected the Outstanding Field Athletes at the same meet. Moore also became the first MSU student to take home an individual championship at the prestigious Penn Relays in April while the men's 4-by-400 relay team won its section at the Penn Relays for the second time in three years.

2001-2002 All-Americans

Football
Omar Lucas • Anthony Vitale

Field Hockey
Laura Popes

Wrestling
Eduard Aliakseyenka (NCAA champion)

Track and Field
Darryl Louis • Ernest Tymes
Nick Greogorio • Chris Monaco
Ed Hamilton • Alex Torres
Tierra Hicks
Enrique Llanos (NCAA champion)
Nacole Moore (NCAA champion)

Softball
Kari McDonnell

Alumni Weekend 2002

Alumni Weekend was both festive and somber this year. Fond college memories were tempered with sobering recollections of 9/11.

(Pictured clockwise) Gregory L. Waters (left), vice president for University Advancement, talks with Alumni Association Board members James Spry '54 and Syd Salt '51 '52 M.A. at the 50+ Breakfast.

Following the annual meeting and luncheon, the Alumni Association gathered with families and friends of alumni whose lives were tragically taken Sept. 11: Jean DePalma '80, Robert "Bobby" Hughes '01, Dorota Kopiczko '99, Steven Schlag '82, Khalid Shahid '99, Dennis Taormina, Jr. '88 and student Shari Kandell, who was made an honorary member of the Alumni Association. At the Alumni Green, the dedication began with remarks from MSUAA immediate Past President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A. and University President Susan A. Cole. Invocations were offered by Rev. Dr. Audrey V. Leef '43 and Fr. Art Humphrey '95 M.A. The ceremony closed with the plaque dedication by MSUAA President Wayne D. DeFeo '80 '82 M.A. The bronze plaque with the names of the seven will be placed in the Alumni Green Perennial Garden.

At the annual meeting, the Montclair State University Alumni Association granted former board members and past presidents Rev. Dr. Audrey V. Leef '43 and James C. McGilvray '41 emeritus status. Pictured are Leef '43 (second from left) and McGilvray '41 (center) with (from left) Art Humphrey '95 M.A., MSUAA President Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A. and immediate Past President Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole mingles with alumnae from the class of 1952 who are celebrating their 50th anniversary. They and other members of classes from 50 years ago or more kicked off Alumni Weekend with a special breakfast.

Ann Marie DiLorenzo of the Biology and Molecular Biology Department received this year's Outstanding Faculty Award. It was presented by Alumni Association Board Member Art Humphrey '95 M.A. More pictures from Alumni Weekend are available on the Internet at www.montclair.edu/alumnilife.

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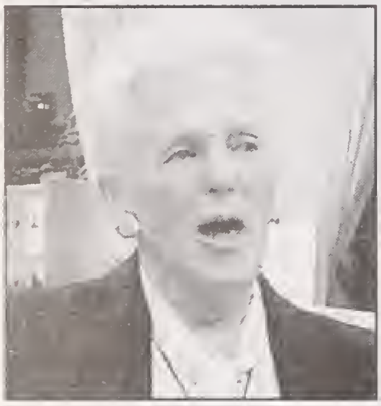
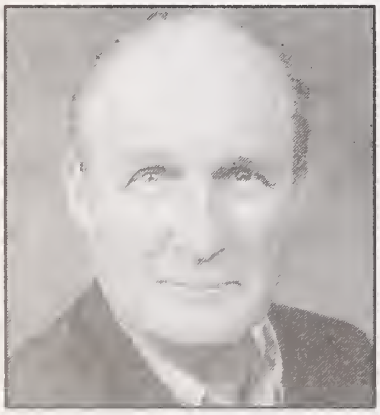


S. Marie Kuhnen

S. Marie Kuhnen received the Patricia R. Kane Lifetime Achievement Award for Environmental Education. The retired professor taught for more than 40 years at Montclair State and co-founded the Pocono Environmental Education Center.



David D.T. Lloyd

David D.T. Lloyd, a poet, artist and playwright, has been granted professor emeritus status at Rowan University, and has been included in *Who's Who in America 2002* and *Who's Who in the 21st Century*. He has been published in Canada, Australia, England and America, and was honored by inclusion in *The Haiku Anthology*. He continues to teach as an adjunct professor at Rowan.

J.C. Candee, working under the penname of L.J. London, had his book, *Journey to Splendour, and,* published. It is, in the author's words, a tale of "classic fantasy."

Louis N. Cirignano

Louis N. Cirignano received the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal for meritorious service in sea combat in the Normandy Invasion.

Lois Schantz Sullivan

Lois Schantz Sullivan was granted professor emeritus status at Bergen Community College, where she taught for 32 years. She transferred from the Business Department to the Division of Arts and Humanities in 1991. The retired educator also served as regional coordinator for Partners in Learning, a program focusing on teaching effectiveness, which she presented throughout the United States and in England.

John F. Richardson completed two years as flotilla commander with the United States Coast Guard Auxiliary in San Pedro, Calif. He served for two years as flotilla staff officer before being elected commander by the unit's 80 members. He also is founder and president of ILAR Systems, Inc., a developer of business financial planning, forecasting, budget/cash flow, capitalization and valuation/appraisal analysis models.

Ina Golub, an artist working in beads and tapestries, has collaborated with a Colorado fabric company to deliver a handmade quilt to every child who lost a parent Sept. 11. The artist's work typically reflects Judaic topics.

Charles Teryek

Charles Teryek '64 M.A. received the Rutgers University Graduate School of Education Alumni Association Distinguished Service Award. He is an educational consultant and serves as director of the Somerset County Educational Technology Training Center.

Barbara Ann Berke Elicott '67 M.A. received a finisher's medal upon completion of the Boston Marathon. She is the author of *Get Physical: Integration of physical activity produces maximal results in speech-therapy* and *Protecting Against Adverse Effects of Environment, Diet.*

Marilyn Jacobson took a position as an associate with Coldwell Banker's Spring Lake office. She has been a real estate agent for 15 years.

Joann Marzocco, a chemistry teacher at Bergen Community College, has received the 2002 Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development. Marzocco is a resident of Washington Township.

Patricia Nachtigal was elected to the Board of Directors at Ingersoll-Rand, where she is senior vice president and general counsel. She also serves as vice chair of the Board of Trustees of Rutgers University, and has served on the United States' Trade Representative's Trade Advisory Committee on Africa.

Richard "Chris" Huizenga left his job at Education Canada in Montreal to teach English in Thailand.

Joseph J. Bell was appointed County Counsel to the Warren County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

John Harold Straub II, an elder for the Westminster Presbyterian Church of Paterson, and a trustee on the Church Board, was elected as the delegate to the Presbytery of the Palisades. He also was elected as an alternate delegate for the Teacher's Pension Annuity Fund.

Mari-Jo Policastro '74 M.A., winner of many awards from the Griffith Music Foundation, performed in Red Bank as part of a piano duo called "Polymania."

Ruth Grabner M.A., an artist known as the "Silhouette Lady," had her work featured by the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Arts Association. She has taught art to students in first grade through college, and works in mediums including watercolor, oil, pastels, charcoal and calligraphy.

Karen M. Peluso

Karen M. Peluso made a successful career change from the medical field to photography and writing. Her photographs were featured at an exhibit at the Ocean City Arts Center, "The Art of Ocean City." She has had her poems and photographs published in the *Journal of New Jersey Poets, Connecticut Review, Paterson Literary Review,* and *Potomac Review.*

Christine Fornarotto Cauda, head gymnastics coach for Ramapo High School in Franklin Lakes, was inducted into the New Jersey State Coaches Hall of Fame for her contribution to the sport in Bergen County and northern New Jersey.

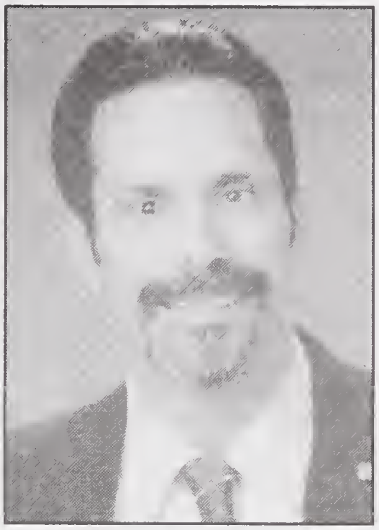
John R. Diamant, vice president of Victaulic International, was elected to the board of the Northhampton Community College (Pa.) Foundation for a three-year term.

Kevin McCloskey, vice president of Dodge-Newark Supply Co., Inc. and outgoing president of the Power Transmission Distribution Association, was recognized by the latter for outstanding service and contributions.

Paul V. Stahlin left Summit Bancorp after more than 20 years of service to become chief financial officer for Fleet Credit Card Services. He had been senior vice president and corporate comptroller at Summit.

Jeff Torborg M.A. was hired as the new manager of the Marlins major league baseball team.

Michael Gabriele offered a retrospective slide show of 15 years of his work as an artist. The show, "Symphony of Art," was held at the Clifton Art Center and focused on the creative artistic process as well as the business and marketing of art.



James Mione

James Mione has been elected to the Marlboro Township Council.

Bruce G. "Trip" McMillan III was promoted to assistant regional director of Operations for the Northeast Region of the Boy Scouts of America. He supports operations in 11 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and American Scouting in Europe.

Gail Folena-Wasserman was promoted to senior vice president of development at Medimmune, Inc., where she is responsible for all process and analytical methods development, and production of product candidates for clinical testing.

Lori Smith Robbins has joined Bellville Middle School to teach in the Language Arts Department.

John Palatucci '91 M.A. has led the Orpheus Club, one of the oldest all-male choruses in the nation, since 1990. He has been teaching music in Livingston public schools since 1992.

Deborah Grasso '98 M.A.T., an adjunct faculty member at Bergen Community College, received the Annual Women of Distinction Award from Immaculate Conception High School. She has also been featured on the New Jersey Education Association's television program "Classroom Close-up," and a PBS special for her outstanding work as a math instructor at Mount Hebron Middle School.

Robert Chiaradio, an agent for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, was appointed chief of administrative services. The position was created as part of the response to Sept. 11.

Jeffrey Newman has become deputy clerk for administrative services for the Appellate Division in the New Jersey court system.

Brian Doherty left his job as vice principal at Sparta High School to accept the position as principal at Newton High School.

Richard Stout, a teacher at the Brookdale Center for the Visual Arts, had his work on exhibit in a show, "Pastels on Paper." Stout also lectures at Ocean County College.

Carol Olivia Bentinck, who joined the ranks of the U.S. Army, has become a nominee for the Peace Corps.

Karen Dalton has joined the American Society for Composers Authors and Publishers. Her first CD, "Songs for Hire," has received local airplay.

Barbara A. Pinelli-McDonough

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Barbara A. Pinelli-McDonough, teacher and chair of the Social Studies Department at St. John Vianney in Colonia, received a grant to help fund the production of plays about ancient civilizations.

Vic Sofras, after having visited more than 40 countries over the past 20 years, is compiling a collection of his photographs to be published on a Web site.

83

John Petruney was promoted to executive vice president, group creative director, at Arnold Worldwide Advertising in Boston.

84

Grace DePaola, former president of COPE Center Inc., a nonprofit, behavioral healthcare agency, was appointed to the agency's Board of Directors. She also has served as president of the New Jersey Advertising Club and vice president of Verizon Wireless in Bedminster.

Joan Dollinger M.A. has become a counselor at the Association for Community Counseling in Delray Beach, Fla. The all-volunteer staff provides low-cost group therapy.

85

Bruce L. Myers writes a monthly column about graphic arts education for *Printing News*. He is an assistant professor in graphic communications at Kean University, and an adjunct professor for color reproduction at New York University's Center for Graphic Communications Management and Technology.

Elizabeth Wong was named executive director of New Jersey's Higher Education Student Assistance Authority. Wong is a private businesswoman and former chair of the New Jersey Development Authority for Small Businesses, Minorities' and Women's Enterprises.

Joseph A. Ferraro has become pastor at St. Anthony of Padua Parish in Bellville. He has served as parochial vicar at Holy Rosary Parish in Jersey City and chaplain of the Knights of Columbus, Regina Pacis Council No. 4066, in Maplewood.

Herbert Yardley M.A. was appointed to the New Jersey Public Health Council. Yardley also is a consultant for the Food Safety Council and an instructor of the food management certification program at Rutgers-Cook College in New Brunswick.

Steven Nagel was appointed director of development at the Association for Advancement of Mental Health.

86

Diane E. Conboy has taken a position with OceanFirst Bank in Toms River as vice president and commercial lending officer.

Eric Hartmann has become a drama teacher in Vancouver, Canada.

87

Gregg Jubin was appointed special counsel to Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft, one of the world's leading international law firms.

88

Donald Oakes, a Montclair firefighter, was promoted to lieutenant.

Francis V. Cook joined the firm of Grotta, Glassman & Hoffman, P.A., representing management in labor and employment litigation.

Christopher Casini was named partner at the firm of O'Connor Davies Munns & Dobbins, LLP, certified public accountants.

90

Amy G. Phelan M.A., a specialist in educating children with disabilities, was appointed principal of Shongum Elementary School. She has taught language arts to students with mild disabilities in grades one through eight, and is a part-time adjunct professor at William Paterson University.

91

Charles Syracuse was named director of Sales at Passport Corporation, which provides software solutions to the telecommunications and financial services industries.

Dan Forte has become program director for Huntington Arts Council, Inc., in New York, where he coordinates musical, theatrical and dance talent for the Huntington Summer Arts Festival, which puts on 51 free performances and special events throughout the year.

Peter A. Aquino was re-elected treasurer by the Board of Directors of the Head Start Community Program of Morris County. Aquino is a C.P.A. and president of P.A. Aquino & Co., P.C.

93

Joy Charles Kay M.A. has joined Family Connections Inc. as director of Development and Public Relations. She is also assistant director of Donor Relations and Stewardship at Kent Place School in Summit.

Victor Naumov, a member of the International Chiropractors Association's Council of Fitness and Sports Health Science, has announced his new seminar, "Teens Sports and Steroids: the Myth, the Magic, and the Madness," which focuses on the dangers of the increasingly widespread use of steroids among teenage athletes.

Ronald R. Spiaggia, a chiropractic physician, joined the Back and Neck Center of Watchung. His specialty is in the area of posture correction, muscle rehabilitation and sports injuries.

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Edwin Selby is co-author of *VIEW-An Assessment of Problem-Solving Style*. The book is designed for use by educators and management consultants who want to help individuals from age 11 through adult improve their approach to problem-solving.

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Ivan Grosz, an artist who works with monochromatic shapes, had his work exhibited at the Bellville Public Library and Information Center.

95

Gail Corrigan has been named chair of the Public Relations Committee of the Board of Directors for the New Jersey Chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators. Corrigan is a public relations executive for PFS Marketwise in Totowa. Previously she was the public relations coordinator for TotalTel USA Communications, Inc., which now does business as Covista.

Rene Vetere was promoted to chief operating office at the engineering firm The Ratclyffe Group.

Michael Lampe was named director of Marketing and Scientific Communications at Feinstein Kean Healthcare, a communications and business consulting firm.

96

Richard H. Hahn joined the law firm of Sills, Cummins, Radin, Tischman, Epstein & Gross.

97

James Reddy has joined Jerry Roache Direct, a Little Silver advertising agency, as account executive.

David Feeney has published his first novel, a mystery, *A Skeleton in the Closet*. Feeney incorporated Internet technology in his efforts to be published.

Delby Martinez helps immigrants and his local community in Passaic through his company, Passaic Communications, and through the Society of Columbian Friends, of which he is president.

Paoloa Ciappina joined the law firm of Saiber, Schlesinger, Satz & Goldstein.

Keri O'Meara has joined the Dartmouth softball team as assistant coach.

Steven Hughes took a position on Summit High School's special education staff.

98

Dorian Milteer has become principal at Lincoln School in Englewood. He comes from Dwight Morrow High School, where he was assistant principal.

Bernadette M. Matten was part of a four-person musical production, "The All Night Strut." She is an active dance captain and has performed in several other musicals.

Lucia A. DeTrizio has joined the law firm of Budd, Larner, Gross, Rosenbaum, Greeberg & Sade.

Boris Mankovetsky joined the law firm of Sills, Cummis, Radin, Tischman, Epstein & Gross.

99

Nestor A. Pla, Jr. graduated from the New Jersey State Police Academy to become a New Jersey state trooper.

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Vincent Strumolo signed copies of his book, *A Fight for Life*, a story of his fight against Hodgkins disease, at Footnotes in Clifton.

Margery Agnone is an administrator at the Senior Care Centers of America in Totowa.

Catherine J. Dokachev teaches elementary art in the Caldwell/West Caldwell school district.

Dennis Mikula is football coach at Bayley-Ellard.

01

Danielle H. Strothers has become the first woman police officer in Little Falls.

02

Christine P. DeYoung is teaching social studies at South Hunterdon High School.

Signs of the Times

The work of alumni John Ehrenberg '87 and Sue Mandzik Ehrenberg '88 can be seen throughout campus—on signs, banners, vehicle lettering and more. The couple has owned Vivid Imaginations in Cedar Grove since 1995, producing signs for their alma mater as well as Minolta, Compaq, Glidden Paint and the New York Mercantile Exchange.

John and Sue met in acting class on Sue's first day at Montclair State, and spent all their spare time together in the theater. "We spent hours and hours in the theater," John said. "We would go to classes from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., work on a show from 6 to 11, do homework all night and do it all over again the next day."

After graduating from Montclair State with a bachelor's degree in design and technical theater, John worked for several companies before opening Vivid Imaginations. It was through Eugene Lotito, director of Facilities for the School of the Arts, that the fledgling company got its first job—producing signs for TheatreFest. "Gene spread our name around after the TheatreFest job, and we began to get more work through word of mouth," said John, who is the drama adviser at Verona Middle School and director of the school's annual musical presentation.

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Engagements

Theresa L. Smerkio '92 to
John Antonellis

Laura West '94 to
Stephen W. Cook Jr.

Cherilyn C. Guido '96 to
Christopher B. Carlson

Tara Morlando '97 '99 M.A. to
Steven J. Zurlo

Jennifer Lynn Friend '98 to
Marco J. LaPadula

Heidi Heusser '98 to
Kevin Filippelli

Steven Patton '98 to
Kristin Mazurkiewicz

Kimberly Anne Normant '99 to
Robert Frank Labanich, Jr.

Kelly Sheehan '99 to
Brendan O'Melia '00

Cathy Teixeira '00 to
Steven Donkersloot '99

Jeanine Resnick '00 M.A. to
Brian Periman

Catherine J. Dokachev '00 to
Nicholas Kondreck

Jolena Nantista '00 '01 M.A. to
Mark Dombrosky

Carolyn Mauer '01 to
Andres Holguin '99

Marriages

Christina E. McAloney '90 '98 M.S. to Larry E. Scienski on Aug. 10, 2001

Andrea Nemeth '93 to **Vadim Shleyfman '99** on Aug. 25, 2001

Doreen McSharry '94 M.A. to Frank Kapusinski on April 21, 2001

Pasquale Pontoriero '94 to Johanna Rossi on April 6, 2002

Renee Michelle Platt '95 to **Jeffrey David Bogert '94** on April 22, 2001

Jennifer Klingerman '95 M.A. to Carlos Herrada on July 27, 2001

Jennifer Wilson '98 to **Michael Brennan '98** in October 2001

Tania Krug '98 to **John Ingrassia '99** on Nov. 10, 2001

Keely McCool '99 to **Thomas Lee '98** on Oct. 13, 2001

Ihor S. Andruch '99 to Kristy N. Holzli on May 4, 2002

Isabella Missakyan '01 to Nasser Salloum on Jan. 11, 2002

Births

To **Douglas Rallo '75** and his wife, Christine, a boy, Robert Christopher, on Oct. 25, 2001

To **Anne Marie Wolanski King '81** and her husband, Jim, a boy, John Alexander, on Jan. 11, 2002

To **Lynne Kurebanas Malandrino '84** and her husband, **John Malandrino '83**, a boy, Eric Charles, on Aug. 22, 2001

To **Joni Fabricatore Josephsen '85** and her husband, **Hans Josephsen '84**, a boy, John Anthony, on Sept. 28, 2001

To **Joanne (Fleming) Filus '86** and her husband, **Wayne Filus '85**, a girl, Eliza Marie, on Oct. 9, 2001

To **Lisa Bradley LaMarka '87** and her husband, Jim, a girl, Madison Nicole, on June 5, 2001

To **Joseph Anton '89** and his wife, Donna, a boy, Jonathon Charles, on Sept. 18, 2000

To **Jaime Ann Mooney Fienan '89** and her husband, Tom, a boy, Thomas John, on Dec. 9, 2001

To **Kathryn DeGraaf Kula '92 '97 M.S.** and her husband, Stanley, a girl, Vanessa Grace, on Nov. 26, 2001

To **Lori Kopec Amati '92** and her husband, **Joe Amati '92**, a boy, Jordan Nicholas, on Aug. 29, 2001

To **Amy Dunbar '93** and **Thomas Dunbar '96**, a boy, Kyle Thomas, on Dec. 31, 2001

To **Cathy McGuire Nelson '93** and her husband, Eric, a boy, Christopher Douglas, on March 13, 2002

To **Krista Liss (Hutchison)** and her husband, Eric, a girl, Emma Caroline, on July 12, 2001

To **Darryl Rankin '97** and his wife, Jocelyn, a boy, Shawn Thomas, on Sept. 3, 2001

To **Mark Heber '98** and his wife, Shelia, a boy, Mark Anthony Jamal, on Dec. 7, 2001

To **Angela Arabia-Meyer '98** and her husband, **Edward Arabia-Meyer '99**, a boy, Edison Ross, on Feb. 24, 2002

In Memoriam

Edna Francis Staub '25
Lucretia Johnson Hess '25
Anne Kathryn Clinton '27
Ruth Shaw Lilley '28
Mary L. Drew '28
Alice Pennoyer Laffey '28
Marjorie Steiner '33
Alexander S. Hughes '34
Ruth Mathews Wood Scarborough '34
Alice Morris '34
Evelyn L. Johnson '36
Regina Baird Lynch '36
Doris Gortz '37
Elizabeth Turner '37 '46 M.A.
Eugenia M. Adamus '38
Irene M. Hill '39
Lucien Bowe '41
Ernest Yeager '45
Carmella Motta Contino '45
Harriet Jones Frederick '47
Abbie Rice Garrigues '49
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Panzer Notes

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Happy 91st birthday to **Dr. Hazel M. Wacker '33**. Wishing you good days and good health.

The Harrison mayor, town council and a group of high school students dedicated the Fred "Coach" Shields Memorial Park to the lifelong resident of Harrison. **Fred Shields '36** was a physical education teacher and coach at Harrison High School for more than 40 years. Fred retired in 1980 and died in 1985. His son, Ron, principal of Harrison High School, and his brother and sister are proud of the park bearing their father's name.

For those who remember, **Shirley Teitelbaum Kruger '41** and **Clifford W. Bender '42** were an item at Panzer College. Shirley is now retired from CJ Scott High School in East Orange and Cliff, also retired, enjoys playing golf and tennis. The two have found each other once again and are enjoying the golden years together. OK…the silver years!

Jim Caulfield '49 enjoyed two weeks motoring through the western counties of Ireland. Back in the states he visited his son in California and then attended the reunion in Massachusetts of the battleship on which he served. Jim remains busy working as a part-time bookkeeper for an aluminum products company.

Skiing five times a week helps keep **Bob Argentero '53** and wife, Joan, young. The couple, who lived in Vermont, recently took a Steamboat Springs ski vacation. When not splitting their time between their homes in Vermont and Bonita Springs, Fla., the Argenteros visit daughters Linda in Colorado and Robyn in Arizona. Life is good!

Pudge Kinney Delaney '56 and **Ann Ward Jenkins '56** flew in from Washington state to join **Corinne Wisnieski Miller '56** and me to attend a gala affair—the Clifton High School class of 1952 50th reunion. We had a terrific evening catching up with former classmates. The fun continued when '56 Panzer classmates **Marilyn Maxcey Brown, Dot Hoffman Dunn, Ruth McCartney** and **Pat Zaccone** met the Clifton gals for lunch and laughs. Zaccone shared adventures from her more than month-long trip that covered California, Arizona, Georgia and Florida.

Sally Schneider '59, retired from teaching health and physical education at Summit High School since 1987, has taken a fun pastime, bird carving, into a hobby that has won her awards as a decoy carver. Her talents led her to becoming president of the New Jersey Wildfowl Carvers Association. Sally has a studio in Brick and shares her talent with others. A sailing buff for many years, she always has loved living on her houseboat. She is a true shore gal.

Linda Biederman Liebiedz '69, who teaches physical education in Manville, was selected by the staff to represent Roosevelt Elementary School as their Teacher of the Year in the 2002 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program.

Christine Cauda '72 has been inducted into the New Jersey State Coaches Association Hall of Fame for her contribution to the sport of gymnastics in northern New Jersey. Christine has been head gymnastics coach at Ramapo High School in Franklin Lakes for 15 years.

Kathy Lincoln McCauley '01 started her academic career with the class of '72, but left to marry and raise a family. She became a supervisor for the Easter Seal Society of New Jersey and returned to Montclair State to complete her degree. She is now a health specialist at the University of Medicine and Dentistry—New Jersey. Welcome back, Kathy.

Jane Polasik Panse '77, who teaches in West Palm Beach, Fla., received certification in early adolescent/young adult physical education from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Jane has the distinction of being the first and only one in a district of 150 schools to earn this certification. She is one of eight people in Florida and nationwide to be certified in this area.

After a short teaching and coaching career, **Bonnie O'Conner Ferrari '81** became a national park ranger. She then joined the Army, spending six years soldiering, which included helicopter training. She loved every minute of it. Since leaving the Army, Bonnie has been a mail carrier for 18 years while raising two children and guiding three stepchildren. She is now in the master's degree program at Fairleigh Dickinson Unversity and hopes to teach again.

Nino Capra '98 teaches physical education at Kinnelon High School and coaches both football and lacrosse. When Nino is not studying for a master's degree in administration, he is spending time with his 1-year-old daughter, Leigha.

In Memoriam:
Bill Kirchner '32
Virginia Taylor Altavater '35
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hanced by the activities that will be supported by the HUD grant," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. "Many members of the University, community and government worked together to make this new partnership a reality, and I am especially grateful to Sen. Robert Torricelli and Reps. William Pascrell and Donald Payne, who provided strong support for the project."

- The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation has awarded the University a grant in recognition of its excellent and innovative training programs for New Jersey public school teachers. The two-year, $150,000 grant is for the Team Approach to Professional Development Program for advanced professional development of New Jersey public school teachers.

- The Institute for Community Studies (ICS) aims to promote an understanding of the forces that draw people together into groups with a shared sense of interests and responsibilities, and of the forces that create divisions among people.

According to Dr. Janet Ruane, ICS Advisory Board Member, "Daily events remind us of the pressing need to better understand the forces that unite and separate us. The Institute for Community Studies, in dedicating itself to the study of these social dynamics, will be an important educational resource for the 21st century."

—Gail Corrigan '95

Degrees of jubilation

Members of the class of 2002 rejoice at the May 24 commencement ceremony held at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford, where the achievements of 2,580 graduates were celebrated. Also pictured, Montclair State President Susan A. Cole (left) with this year's honorary degree recipients New Jersey Governor James E. McGreevey (center) and television talk show personality Charlie Rose.

More pictures and video from commencement are available on the Internet at:

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New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey and Montclair State President Susan A. Cole greet those who attended a recent press conference on campus at the site of NJ TRANSIT's new MidTOWN Direct train station. Pictured far left is NJ TRANSIT Executive George Warrington.

The Way *TO GO*

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

You can get there from here… and now it's a whole lot easier. Although NJ TRANSIT's MidTOWN Direct Service has been available from Morris County for six years, the new Montclair-Boonton connection is getting passengers from Essex and Passaic counties to Penn Station, New York, without having to transfer trains in Hoboken or Newark.

The new line, a dream come true for commuters, began in September, but the best is yet to come. A 1,500-space parking garage and train station being built on the Montclair State campus will be a much-welcomed convenience for residents of the University's neighboring towns, where parking at existing stations is at a premium. The $26-million project, expected to be completed in 2004, is a collaborative effort among Montclair State, NJ TRANSIT and the New Jersey Economic Development Authority. Meanwhile, commuters can get the MidTOWN Direct service from the nearby Montclair Heights station.

The new facility will greatly benefit the University's commuting population as well as residential students who like to take advantage of Montclair State's proximity to Manhattan. "This is a direct, safe and easy way for our students to take advantage of cultural opportunities in New York City," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. The new service also is expected to boost the University's presence across the

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The Inside Track

Susan A. Cole
President
Montclair State University

Albert Einstein said nothing moves faster than the speed of light. At Montclair State University, we may just prove him wrong. I hyperbolize to illustrate the rapid pace of development and comprehensive growth at Montclair State.

Construction projects abound on campus, with our new 1,100-space parking garage nearly 70 percent complete. The garage, one of three planned for campus, is expected to open in January, and will be a giant—and handsome—step in relieving one of our persistent problems: too many vehicles for too few parking spaces.

As the final touches are put on the parking garage, work on the 500-seat Alexander Kasser Theater starts next month, with an expected completion date of spring 2004. This $27.5 million state-of-the-art project will allow the University's theater, music and dance programs to perform in a site worthy of their talents. The theater is named in honor of the late Alexander Kasser, an international philanthropist and art lover whose family made a $4 million leadership gift to the project.

Work is also well underway on our new residential village on Clove Road. The $77.7 million project will provide 850 beds and 550 parking spaces for our students when completed in August 2003.

Wheels are turning right across the street from those new residence halls: We were joined by New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey on Sept. 30 as we celebrated an agreement to build a New Jersey Transit train station that will accommodate the new MidTOWN Direct line into New York's Penn Station. Next month, construction will begin on an affiliated 1,500-space parking garage and pedestrian walkway. When the station opens in 2004, MSU and the Big Apple will only be a short train ride apart, a linkage that will be an exciting asset for our students.

I haven't even mentioned our new academic building, which will be the University's largest building when it opens in 2005, the continuing infusion of technology in our learning programs, or a host of other developments.

If you would like a more complete look at all that is happening on campus, I urge you to visit our lively and informative Web site at www.montclair.edu. Click on the image of the Red Hawk in the hard hat to follow the progress of our construction activities.

On a less noticeable, but nevertheless important, front, we now have sprinklers in 100 percent of our residence halls and by spring we will have completed an upgrade of all electrical and water utilities, repairs that were long overdue.

This bustle greeted a large, diverse and highly qualified freshman class this year. Undergraduate enrollment is up by 8 percent while our graduate school enrollment tops 3,700 students, a 7-percent increase. We also welcomed 38 new faculty members who bring outstanding academic credentials to the University.

Memorial Auditorium was filled to capacity on Opening Day as the University community gathered to inaugurate an exciting academic year and to reaffirm our commitment to assuring that Montclair State University is a recognized center for excellence in teaching and learning, serves as a resource to the region, and fosters an environment in which each student is challenged to attain his or her full potential.

You don't have to be an Einstein to know that MSU is on the move!

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

In keeping with the theme of families, which I spoke about in the summer issue, I am pleased to welcome the newest addition to the Montclair State University Alumni Association (MSUAA) family—our first chapter.

About five years ago, Ronald Naples, then president of the MSUAA, began exploring ways of accommodating the increasing diversity at Montclair State. After much discussion, our bylaws were amended to include the establishment of chapters. Chartered by the MSUAA, chapters allow divergent groups of alumni to come together and function under the Alumni Association banner and bylaws.

Some of you may wonder why there is a need for a special mechanism to allow people with similar interests and experiences to come together. After all, aren't we all part of the same MSU family?

The answer is yes and no. If you graduated before 1960, you more than likely identify solely with the University. In my class year, 1980, I certainly identified with the University (or college at the time), but I was more interested in my department, Biology. In fact, I became involved in the MSUAA at the request of one of my biology professors.

The University is made up not only of different colleges, schools and departments; there are social and ethnically based clubs and organizations as well. While all alumni are a part of the University family, many have different interests and experiences. Chapters allow the Alumni Association to bring these graduates together.

On June 5, the MSUAA Board received its first formal chapter proposal. It was to establish a Black Alumni Chapter (BAC). The BAC (see photo on page 13) already has helped the Association grow by nearly 18 newly active members, and has planned social activities as well as fund-raising activities for expansion of the James Harris Book Scholarship. This chapter has hit the ground running. That is the ultimate goal: active members in an active and ever-growing Alumni Association family.

Again, I welcome the Black Alumni Chapter and hope many more chapters will follow. As we continue to grow into the 21st century, I believe the Association, its chapters and the University will continue to grow. I invite you to be a part of that growth.

Heart-Strings

BY BILL VALLADARES

A single strand of string is fragile and weak, but entwined with others it gains incredible strength, just as several acts of generosity and loyalty at Montclair State University have come together to form a strong arts program; and the arrival of the internationally acclaimed Shanghai Quartet reinforces the Music program's reputation as a leader in the state.

"We are pleased to have the Shanghai Quartet as part of our campus community," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "They will be a great asset to the University's Music Department, where our internationally renowned faculty provide unique musical opportunities to students. This is one more opportunity for our students to hear and learn from world-class performers."

The ensemble became Montclair State's first string quartet in residence in a landmark agreement signed in June. The quartet has been in residence at the University of Richmond (Va.) since 1989 and will hold both residencies for one year until its contract in Virginia ends. "We're looking forward to helping the Music Department continue to develop," said Weigang Li, first violinist and the group's leader. "The University is open to new ideas. That's why they brought us in and that's why we came."

According to Robert Aldridge of Music, who helped bring the quartet to Montclair State, the ensemble will give private instruction to string students, coach chamber music, solo with the MSU Orchestra and perform for both the campus and the surrounding communities several times throughout the year. The group will become the centerpiece resident performer in the new 500-seat, state-of-the-art Alexander Kasser Theater, scheduled to open in 2004.

The $27.5-million theater will celebrate the life and accomplishments of Alexander Kasser, an international philanthropist, art lover and one-time Montclair resident. Washington, D.C. attorney, former Montclair mayor and former U.S. Senate candidate Mary V. Mochary and her brother, I. Michael Kasser, along with other family members, made a $4-million leadership gift to the theater in honor of their late father.

"With the opening of the Alexander Kasser Theater, this is the quality of music Montclair State University will offer the community regularly," said Cole.

Known for its commissions of new works, the group also will give an annual performance of new works by University composers and will recruit students for the Music Department. "We were taught by great teachers," said Li, who, with his brother Honggang Li, founded the quartet in 1983. "It's time to do our duty and pass it on."

The ensemble debuted on campus in a memorial concert with faculty from the Music Department to commemorate the one-year anniversary of 9-11. The quartet played an excerpt from Samuel Barber's Adagio for Strings. "This was not a showcase for the Shanghai Quartet," said Li. "It was a tribute to the victims and heroes of Sept. 11."

According to Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, the two-year residency will give Montclair an international profile. "It takes our music program and string program to another level," he said.

This is just one of several prestigious faculty appointments to the School of Music in recent years. Music Chair Fred Cohen is a composer and conductor whose works have been performed throughout the United States, in South America and in Eastern Europe; and Aldridge this year became the first Montclair State faculty member to win a Carnegie Foundation fellowship. He will use it to complete his opera, "Elmer Gantry," which will premier in Germany next year.

Formed at China's Shanghai Conservatory, the quartet, which includes Li and Yiwen Jiang on violin, Honggang Li on viola, and Nicholas Tzavaras on cello, records exclusively under the Delos International label. Recent releases include "The Flowing Stream," a collection of Chinese folk songs and tone poems, and "Brahams Piano Quartets" with Ruth Laredo. The quartet tours the major music centers of North America, Europe and Asia, and occasionally teaches in Shanghai—a connection that is attractive to Cole, who has initiated several exchange programs in Shanghai and Beijing.

"Music should ideally be a part of every person's life," said Li. "We want to give young people an opportunity to associate with great music and to discover that it will enrich their lives. It is our responsibility to inspire others. That's what makes us happy. We want to cultivate more audiences, not just for ourselves, but for the cultural world as well."

WHEN LIFE GIVES YOU LEMONS, DON'T SWALLOW THE PITS

BY BILL VALLADARES

Author Paula Danziger '67, '74 M.A. has a thing for purple. She loves it in flowers, clothes, nail polish and kitchen paint—but not in prose; however, she does use the color to test the quality of a good story. It's a technique she learned from her mentor, poet John Ciardi, who taught her to analyze a poem by underlining the funny lines in red and the serious ones in blue. A balanced poem becomes purple.

"He taught me a lot about language, and I always write toward that mixture," said Danziger, whose books have been continually reprinted since the publication of her first novel, *The Cat Ate My Gymsuit*, in 1974. In addition, her Amber Brown series has been translated into 10 languages. With homes in Manhattan, Woodstock and London, she logs more than 30,000 miles a year speaking to children around the world.

Photo by Sigrid Estrada

Danziger, who last year was inducted into the New Jersey Literary Hall of Fame, also did a regular segment a few years ago on a children's television variety show in London called "Live and Kicking," interviewing other authors and reviewing their books. "Most writers are invisible and can walk easily through the streets," she said. "I still get stopped a lot in England because of TV."

Like her novels, Danziger's own life has had its blue underlines. But the author's resolve always has enabled her to meet life's adversities head on with confidence and humor, maintaining a pleasant shade of purple. It's no wonder her favorite book growing up was *The Little Engine That Could*. Danziger knew early on that she wanted to be a writer because she loved to make up stories, but her love of reading and ambition to write actually began as a shield. "I don't remember books ever not being a part of my life," she said. "I grew up in a dysfunctional family so I hid in my room and used books to escape all the yelling."

She applied to Montclair State only because her guidance counselor at Metuchen High School said she couldn't get in. "He challenged me," recalled Danziger, who planned to major in speech therapy. "My mother wanted me to be a nurse, so I thought becoming a speech therapist was like being a nurse without the blood." However, she discovered she wasn't as good in science as she was working with adolescents. So Danziger turned to teaching.

After teaching junior high school for two years Danziger faced a life-changing event. She was involved in two car accidents within six days resulting in more than 100 stitches in her face, and head injuries that hindered her ability to read and write. To this day, as another effect of the head trauma, Danziger can write forward and backward with equal skill. She stopped teaching to undergo years of therapy and returned to campus to pursue a master's degree in reading with a concentration in urban education.

"Maria Schantz, whom I adore, helped me a great deal after the accident," said Danziger. Schantz, of the Department of Literacy and Educational Media, recalled in an article she wrote for the New Jersey Council of Teachers of English that "Paula Danziger was a leader on campus and a critical thinker. Deep in my heart I believed she would one day realize her ambition—to become a famous writer."

It was during that time when Danziger began writing *The Cat Ate My Gymsuit*, with no plans of getting her book published. "I only wanted to do my own writing," she said. But it was published, and her second book, *Pistachio Prescription*, hit the bookstores a few years later.

According to Danziger, her novels are a blend of real life and fiction. "All writing comes from three things: observation, imagination and experience," she said. Her first Amber Brown Book, *Amber Brown is Not a Crayon*, is dedicated to her niece, Carrie. "My niece was feeling bad because her best friend was moving away," said Danziger, who later realized the book had a deeper meaning. While she was writing it, a friend from college told Danziger he had AIDS and died later that year. "He was one of my best friends," she said. "It wasn't until after I finished the book that I discovered it was just as much about my feeling of not being in control and having a best friend leave you."

There wasn't supposed to be a sequel to the Amber Brown book, but when Danziger's niece got the chicken pox during a trip to England, the seed was planted for *You Can't Eat Your Chicken Pox, Amber Brown*. "I was beginning to give Amber a voice and I liked her, so I began to do more books," she said. Today there are eight books in the Amber Brown series and two picture books in her *A is for Amber* series. "I won't take Amber past sixth grade," said Danziger, "because there are too many conflicts going on after that and I don't want Amber doing certain things."

The United Tates of America, Danziger's most recent book, came to her after she was a victim in a robbery. The book, which deals with the issues of death and loss, ends with scrapbook art. "Scrapbooking is exciting because it's another way of being artistic. It's like playing and quilting and it's a chance to explore and to exercise a different part of me." Danziger recently created a scrapbook to pay tribute to her mother who died this summer while in hospice care. That experience, said Danziger, will eventually translate into a book.

Even though it makes her feel old, Danziger loves when adults tell her they grew up on her books. "I'm very happy," she said. "At my age, the people who graduated with me are beginning to retire, but I never want to stop what I'm doing."

Illustration by Jacqueline Rogers

Student becomes part of University's doctoral program history

BY RITA ROONEY

Louise Ferreira laughs with a soft Brazilian accent when it is suggested she has become part of two historical firsts at Montclair State University.

"I hadn't thought of it that way but it is true, I suppose," she said. "The Ed.D. curriculum in pedagogy is the University's first doctoral program, and mine was the first successful dissertation proposal."

Housed in the Center of Pedagogy, the doctoral offering, under the direction of Dr. Cynthia Onore, offers specializations in mathematics education and philosophy for children. Created for students with master's degrees, the program is characterized by a strong theoretical base and focused on core curriculum content standards.

As a candidate in the philosophy for children specialization, Ferreira focuses on science education. Her proposal, "Philosophy for Children and Science Education: How a Philosophy for Children Science-Inspired Curriculum Helps a Class of Fifth Graders to Learn Basic Science Process Skills," was successfully defended May 7. She has received the 2002 Albert Wang Dissertation Award, a $2,000 grant to help fund research for her dissertation.

Dr. Maughn Gregory, Ferreira's mentor, chair of the dissertation committee and director of the Institute for Advancement of Philosophy for Children, describes Ferreira's work as exceptional.

"Her emphasis on science incorporates groundbreaking work," he said. "Philosophy for children is probably more prevalent in Louise's native Brazil than anywhere else in the world. Her interest in looking at the processes in teaching science and how developing a deeper understanding of philosophy will help children do better in the science curriculum involves an inventive approach to teaching."

Gregory explained that empirical studies have shown that philosophy for children increases a child's ability to argue scientifically and evaluate scientific facts and hypotheses. No study to date, however, has examined specific features of its application through narratives, discussion plans and classroom exercises. Ferreira's dissertation research will incorporate qualitative practitioner work to understand how these specifics help fifth graders develop basic science skills.

Ferreira holds an undergraduate degree from the University of Brasilia, a philosophy teacher's certificate from the Brazilian Ministry of Education and a master's degree in philosophy for children from Montclair State. She has taught philosophy for children at the elementary level, and introduction to philosophy and ethics at the University of Brasilia. Beginning in January, she will teach philosophy to fifth-grade science students in New Jersey schools in conjunction with her participatory research for her doctoral dissertation.

"I believe this program will give children a chance to express opinions about their learning and will expose them to the most advanced practices in the field of science education," she said.

She adds that the concepts of collaboration, hands-on experiments and dialogue of experience are found in all the most prominent literature detailing the best ways to teach science to children.

"These all suggest a leaning toward philosophical study," she said. "And my own research suggests that children reason better when exposed to philosophical thinking."

Dr. Tamara Lucas, an associate professor in the Department of Educational Foundations and a member of the dissertation proposal committee, observes that what distinguishes the doctoral program in philosophy for children is that it addresses the interests of practicing teachers.

"Other programs at this level are directed to teachers who want to get out of the classroom," she points out. "This one has been created to enhance the professionalism of teachers who want to become leaders in the field but will do that through classroom teaching."

Lucas reports that ultimately the doctoral program is expected to expand to other specializations, including language, literature, literacy and social studies.

Commenting on the assistance she received from committee members while preparing her proposal, Ferreira said she was in contact with all the members every step of the way: "They supported me at every turn."

The way to go

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Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole, State Sen. Nia Gil and Gov. James E. McGreevey look on as Congressman William Pascrell applauds New Jersey Transit's new MidTOWN Direct Service and its benefits for New Jersey residents.

Hudson. "It will connect us to Midtown Manhattan and a substantial student population there," she said. "This project will enable us to encourage mass transit and allow New Jersey's second-largest educational institution to work with NJ TRANSIT and the state."

MidTOWN Direct riders will have direct rail access to Penn Station in New York as well as the Hoboken terminal and other stations along the Boonton line and Montclair branch. The station, which will be connected by a pedestrian overpass to the parking deck, will be constructed on the west side of the campus, near Yogi Berra Stadium, and across the road from the University's new residence halls currently under construction. (See page 10 for other construction projects.)

"In addition to providing convenient mass transportation for our students, faculty, staff and visitors, this project also will provide another much-needed parking facility for our growing university," Cole said.

In June, Gov. James E. McGreevey came to campus to announce the creation of the new MidTOWN Direct line. He was joined by Congressman William J. Pascrell, State Sen. Nia Gil and officials from Montclair and Little Falls in heralding the new service and how it will improve the quality of life for New Jersey residents. Weekend trial runs of the service took place throughout the summer to get ready for the September start.

"Thanks to the leadership and commitment of Gov. McGreevey and State Transportation Commissioner Jamie Fox, this new station will provide us with increased parking capacity to meet the demands of our newest MidTOWN Direct rail service," said NJ TRANSIT Executive Director George Warrington. "I also would like to thank Dr. Cole for working quickly with me to formalize an agreement that will have long-term benefits for NJ TRANSIT riders and the University."

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Construction has begun on the new station connecting Montclair State University to New York.

Business alum takes classroom into the future

BY NANCY HUTCHINSON '69 '02 M.A

Like many bright, energetic business majors, Ajit "A.J." Khubani '84 couldn't wait to begin making his mark on the world. Un-like his classmates, however, Khubani decided not to wait until he graduated to get started. Instead, he launched a direct marketing business during his senior year at Montclair State.

By the time he was 26, he was at the helm of his own multi-million-dollar company, TeleBrands Corporation, a name that has been made famous through magazine and television ads that sell products such as AmberVision sunglasses and StaticDusters. Today, TeleBrands products, with their prominent "As Seen on TV" logo, also are featured in retail stores.

"Even when I was in school I was most interested in getting out there and becoming involved in business," Khubani said. Which is not to say that after graduation he forgot about his alma mater. After spending several years concentrating on building his firm, he became reacquainted with Montclair State just as the University was preparing to celebrate Dr. Susan A. Cole's inauguration as its eighth president.

"I knew someone who was producing a video about Montclair State. Because I'm an alumnus, I became involved. That led to an invitation to Dr. Cole's inaugural dinner, where I sat with Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business."

Khubani was named among the University's Distinguished Alumni in 1999, and for the past two years he has served as a member of the School of Business Advisory Board.

In May, Khubani donated $50,000 to help build a computer-mediated classroom in Partridge Hall. The classroom will center on a computerized teaching station complete with a data projector and Smart Board. Tiered seating will accommodate 45 students at fixed, semi-circular desks equipped for wireless Internet access. Construction is expected to start this fall.

"A.J.'s gift will help change the way business students learn," said Cole. "Because of his generosity, more than 1,000 additional students each year will study in an environment that stimulates creative thought and communication. This facility will connect them to limitless resources for learning and exploration. And each time they enter the classroom, a plaque will remind them that A.J.'s gift made the experience possible."

Oppenheim believes the mediated classroom, the second in the School of Business, will help reach one of the most urgent goals of developing and improving the School's facilities. The first classroom was funded last year by a gift from the Stillman Trust, administered by First Union Bank.

"We need to continue to bring our infrastructure up to the same high standards we've already achieved in academic programming," Oppenheim said. "With a first-rate education and environment, we will be able to help our students achieve levels of success second to none."

Those high standards were recognized in 2000 when the School of Business was accredited by the International Association for Management Education—AACSB, the premiere national accrediting agency for business schools. Only about 25 percent of university and college business schools in the United States are AACSB accredited.

Dr. Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business (left) and A.J. Khubani '84.

Khubani said the University's vision for the School of Business inspired him to support the mediated classroom. "This was clearly something Dean Oppenheim thought was important to the school, and I became convinced that he was right."

Khubani's success with TeleBrands made the gift possible. But what was it that first gave the undergraduate Khubani the confidence to invest $7,000 of his hard-earned money in his first fledgling venture? After some reflection, he credited an example set by his father, Victor, who arrived in the United States from India in 1958 with $500 in his pocket.

"Without knowing anyone, without speaking much English, what could he do? He went into business for himself," Khubani explained. Over the years, the elder Khubani has owned an electronics import business, rental apartments, office buildings, car dealerships and Indian restaurants.

It should come as no surprise, then, that Khubani and his brothers were well prepared to step out on their own. The first thing Khubani sold was a small radio with headphones for which he broke even. But he hadn't lost anything, and that made him even more excited about the possibilities of direct marketing.

By 1987 Khubani was ready to move into television ads. The recognition his company gained helped open doors to additional sales through retail stores. A string of products followed, including American flags now seen flying everywhere on automobiles.

Khubani is president and CEO of the privately held TeleBrands, which has about 65 employees in New Jersey, and more in Bombay, India. Its products are sold in more than 40 countries around the world.

As the nation celebrates the 30th anniversary of Title IX and the equality it afforded women on the field, we asked four women athletes a simple question...

Donna Russo

Field Hockey and Lacrosse

Have you ever scored the game-winning goal in overtime? There's nothing else in the world like it. When you think back on that day, you remember what the air tasted like and what the ground felt like under your feet. It leaves an indelible mark on your brain and heart forever.

Why do I play sports? If the ultimate goal in life is to reach self-actualization, to know who you really are, then being an athlete has moved me miles closer to that goal. Sports have taught me so much about who I am and who I want to be, such as how to be gracious in victory and resolute in defeat, how to motivate others, be a team-player and think critically.

Being part of a team is a huge factor in my love for sports. To know those 20 other girls would do anything in the world for me and that I'd do anything for them is a rewarding feeling. I love sports because it's a constant challenge and adrenaline rush. Just when you think you can't possibly go on any further and your body is driven to its limits, your teammates are there to inspire you. You remember your parents, brothers, sisters, friends and loved ones watching and cheering you on to beat that other girl to the ball. You want to make them proud, you want to make your teammates proud. Best of all, you build your self-confidence and develop a positive sense of yourself.

The attitude and character born through athletics is carried over to my everyday life. I learned that sometimes, defeat can be great. Losing a game teaches you how to lose with dignity in life. The hard work, dedication and passion I've poured into playing sports have transferred into my academic and professional life. In school, I find myself constantly pursuing excellence, fighting for the top spot in class, just as I would push myself at practice or in a game. At work, I find myself taking leadership roles, just as I do on the playing field as captain.

As an athlete, I have been given the opportunity to better myself both physically and intrinsically. Playing sports has instilled in me a deep sense of pride and integrity, which shows through athletically, academically and professionally. I am motivated and passionate, which is inherent from my time spent as a field hockey and lacrosse player.

Tierra Hicks

Track and Field

Before I moved to New Jersey I never participated in team sports. When I attended Hillsborough High School, sports were an important part of student life. In the fall I watched my friends meet new people and accomplish great things with their teams.

In the winter I decided to try basketball. It was the first time I ever had a team connection. Although the freshman basketball team was not great, we had fun learning the fundamentals and growing together as a team. I learned responsibility, respect, determination and the desire to be successful during that season. I loved the feeling of winning and decided to join the track and field team. Although there were team titles and championships, I could stand out as an individual. To accomplish tasks as a team and an individual was great. The following fall I joined cross-country and continued these three sports throughout my high school career.

As a college athlete I get to travel, meet new people, compete against old teammates, make new friends and set new goals. Although academics and sports make for a rigorous schedule, they help me learn and prepare for the responsibilities I will encounter when I enter the work world. Track and field also keeps me healthy and in shape.

Many people may learn these things in life, but with a team, there is always someone there who understands. I recommend that people get involved in extracurricular activities. It made a big change in my personality and attitude toward my goals in life.

"Why do you play?"

Regina Potocnie
Swimming and Diving

To strive consciously or unconsciously for an objective, otherwise known as competing, could be a long journey, especially in a young girl's life.

Growing up in a sports-oriented family taught me the hard-working habits I carry with me today. Ever since I can remember, sports were a part of my life. When we were young, my parents taught my three younger brothers and me to never quit. I always wanted to be tough like my brothers, and signing up for football always crossed my mind.

I started swimming at age 5. I was the youngest on the team. I had to stand up on the starting blocks with 8-year-olds, but I knew I could do it.

That was the start of it all. Bravery was the key. I learned being little didn't mean I couldn't do it. I proved myself and by the time I was 8 I was the girl to beat in the pool. All because when I was 5, I was brave and got up there. Bravery still keeps me going. Being smaller than your opponent can be intimidating, but I've learned through the years that size doesn't matter. What matters is how much you want it, your desire and the heart you put into every race, game or competition. I've participated in things I haven't loved as much as swimming and running, but I never gave up. I always try my hardest, giving 150 percent all the time.

Now that I'm 20 years old and competing on a much higher level, I feel getting on that block when I was 5 was the best choice I could have ever made in my life. Competing has taken me on this journey that not everyone chooses to take. My competing experiences have made me the strong-willed, open-minded, energetic leader I am today. This journey has been long and not always easy. Losing that one race, not reaching that goal time, trying a new sport such as field hockey when you are already 17 years old, are lessons in life. They have made me a stronger person and competitor.

Competing also has taught me discipline. Things in life are not always handed to you on a silver platter. Being disciplined has helped me convince myself that when things are tough I need to work harder, and when things are easy I also have to work harder. I have always believed in the statement, "You get out what you put in." Competing has made me who I am today.

So why do I play? I can't imagine life without it.

Stephanie Romanko
Soccer and Softball

There's no better feeling than the sound of a cheering crowd, or the intensity of a game in overtime. As you play under the lights in a stadium, with the sweat dripping down your forehead and a face of determination, there is nothing better. The drive, intensity, passion and desire never change for me.

Every time I step between those white lines I give everything I have, all heart. But nothing can beat the beautiful sight of the field, when I get to practice at 6:30 a.m.—the dew still on the field as I put on my socks and cleats. I picture myself making big saves and doing great things. The feeling I have when I step on the field is indescribable. The best I can describe it is intensity, fun and focus. The drive to block the winning goal in a shootout or score the winning run in softball is why I play.

I play because I love it and nothing else makes me feel as good as when I am on the field. That is where I belong. I love the feeling of winning and competing. What makes it even more enjoyable are the awesome people I've met, friendships that will last a lifetime and memories I will never forget. I'm a girl who loves a challenge and hard work. I will do whatever it takes to strive to be successful. I will continue to push to reach the stars because there is nothing finer.

GROWING...

one brick at a time

Montclair State is growing by leaps and bounds. Every day progress is being made on construction projects aimed at making the University experience better than ever for its growing student population. Here's a quick update on the progress of the various projects.

Drive in and put it in park. The University's first parking facility, which will accommodate 1,100 vehicles on eight levels, will be ready for use in January.

All aboard! The Montclair State University/NJ TRANSIT train station and 1,500-space parking facility (see page 1), will be on track in 2004. The mission-style station will have an 800-foot center island and a high-level platform with canopies. A pedestrian overpass served by elevators and stairs will connect the station platforms, parking deck and campus.

Get to class. Currently in the design phase, the University's largest and newest academic building will be completed in 2005. It will house the College of Education and Human Services, where thousands of the nation's finest educators got their start, and the Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies, for which the University recently received a $750,000 federal grant and a $2-million grant from the ADP foundation. The building will feature modern classrooms, offices, laboratories and advanced technologies, and will allow the University to double the capacity of its internationally renowned teacher preparation program and graduate 600 new teachers each year.

Donation for the new theater by the Kasser family: $4 million

Special state appropriation to acquire the land for the new residence facilities: $6.5 million

Gift from the ADP Foundation for the Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies: $2 million

Fulfilling the educational needs of New Jersey students for generations to come: Priceless

Enter, stage left. The Alexander Kasser Theater will be located adjacent to the new parking deck, with the amphitheater and Alumni Green as beautiful backdrops to this 500-seat, state-of-the-art facility. Expected to be ready in May 2004, the 45,000-square-foot theater will be used extensively by the University's music program as well as by its theater and dance programs. The 4,600-square-foot lobby will include a grand staircase leading to a balcony and an adjacent café.

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Now this is living. Construction has begun on four new residence halls on the 30-acre tract of land the University acquired across the road from Yogi Berra Stadium in Little Falls. The complex, to be completed next summer, will include stylish apartments that will house approximately 850 students. It also will include a recreation building with a swimming pool, volleyball and basketball courts, and a police substation.

A field of their own. A new women's softball stadium will accommodate approximately 260 fans in bleacher-type and stadium-molded seats. The stadium, which will include a press box, locker rooms and a concession area, will be built on the site of the existing temporary field. It is expected to be ready for the 2003 season.

CAMPUS NEWS

Admissions and Graduate School unveil new Web sites

The Office of Undergraduate Admissions and the Graduate School have new Web sites.

Information on the new Undergraduate Admissions site, www.montclair.edu/admissions, is based upon input from prospective students, parents, guidance counselors and educators.

The Graduate School's new site, www.montclair.edu/graduate, has been expanded to include an array of services and information on topics including admission requirements, graduate programs and graduate school services. For the first time, it also includes a section devoted solely to current Montclair State University graduate students, including information for new students, programs and events, and downloadable forms.

New graduate concentration in molecular biology

The Biology and Molecular Biology Department has initiated a molecular concentration at the master's level. This concentration will provide appropriate training for biology students in the area of theoretical and applied molecular biology, and will help prepare them for research careers in biotechnology; provide a mechanism for re-training biologists who wish to re-tool their skills, and provide a well-defined, comprehensive knowledge of the discipline of molecular biology so that biology educators may convey these concepts to their students in the classroom and teaching laboratory.

Students can enroll in the concentration this fall.

For more information, go to www.csam.montclair.edu/~qvega/molecconcsum.html or contact Dr. Quinn Vega at vegaq@mail.montclair.edu.

Faculty member designs museum's commemorative cups

The Montclair Art Museum has opened a new wing, and commemorating the event are ceramic cups designed by William McCreath of Fine Arts.

McCreath has had several of his creations, including a variety of plates, bowls and sculptures, sold in the Museum Store, so when it came time for a special piece to commemorate the new wing, Ellen Rosenberg, the store's merchandise manager, asked him if he'd be interested. He saw it as another opportunity to express himself as an artist.

"Artists want to share forms and ideas with people," he said. "Designing these ceramic cups was a wonderful opportunity to do that."

Using porcelain clay, McCreath created three designs in shades of jade, bronze and purple, which coincide with the museum's earth-tone colors. "I created designs with impressions that allow the fingers to fit into the cups as a sort of handle," he said.

His creations were just what the museum was seeking. "We were looking for something that had texture and would be comfortable to hold," said Rhonda Sturtz of the Museum Store. "We also wanted the design to have a Native American look to it."

In his designs, McCreath combined history with his love of clay. "I was attracted to three textured patterned designs," said McCreath, who has been at Montclair State for 35 years. "Since at least 5000 BCE, we have had many ceramic designs. Although my work did not come from any specific design, it came from a combination of influences and my love of clay itself."

McCreath has had seven solo exhibitions at the State Museum in Trenton, the Newark Museum and the Greenwich House of Pottery in New York City. He also has participated in more than 80 group shows, and has works in public collections in Canada, the United Kingdom, Israel, Japan and the United States.

The cups, which are imprinted with the museum logo and name, are available for $25 in the Museum Store. "We are very happy with them," Sturtz said. "They are lovely mugs."

Ellen Rosenberg, merchandise manager for the Montclair Art Museum Store, and William McCreath of the University's Department of Fine Arts, look over the cups McCreath designed to commemorate the Museum's new wing.

Spanning the University

Stand tall.
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Standing tall... Sophomore art history major Alexandra Thelin is standing tall in Montclair State's popular "Stand tall" T-shirt, which recently won a silver award in the Admissions Marketing Report competition.

ALUMNI NEWS

Nominations sought for Alumni Citation Award

Each year the MSU Alumni Association recognizes outstanding graduates with the Alumni Citation Award, which will be presented during the Alumni Weekend Luncheon on May 3. To be considered, candidates must have graduated at least 15 years prior to nomination and demonstrate outstanding contributions to the community, University and/or related agencies or their professions.

Anyone may nominate an outstanding individual to the Alumni Citation Committee. More information about Award nominations and deadlines is available from the Office of Alumni Relations.

Be a class chair for Alumni Weekend 2003

Plans are under way for Alumni Weekend 2003, Saturday, May 3. During the luncheon, classes ending in 3 and 8 will be honored. If you are a graduate of one of these classes and are interested in being a class chair or volunteer, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141. Class chairs will be provided with the names of classmates. It's never too early to start.

Applications available for Legacy Scholarship

The Alumni Association offers a full-year tuition waiver to an incoming freshman who is a child or grandchild of an active alumna/alumnus. The scholarship is awarded on the basis of financial need as determined by the Financial Aid Office, and on academic achievement as determined by the Office of Admissions.

Interested students who will be incoming freshmen in fall 2003 must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) indicating Montclair State as a recipient. More information about the scholarship and application deadlines are available from the Office of Alumni Relations.

Enjoy the benefits of active membership in the MSUAA

A membership card is all you need to be an active member of the Alumni Association. Cards are sent to all alumni who make a gift to the Alumni Annual Fund. New graduates receive their first year of membership free. Membership entitles you to:

- Vote at the annual meeting or special meetings;
- hold office, including membership on the Executive Board;
- receive special mailings to alumni events and donor-only events;
- receive an Alumni Association MasterCard issued by MBNA America;
- borrow books from Sprague Library;
- use campus computer labs, the pool, tennis courts, fitness center and other athletic facilities;
- receive discounts to campus events, including a 10-percent discount to theater events and a 50-percent discount to athletic events; and
- receive a 10-percent discount on alumni items at the University Bookstore.

Enjoy all these benefits while knowing that your gift to the Alumni Annual Fund supports scholarships, the restoration of the amphitheater, alumni programming, this publication and more.

For more information, visit www.montclair.edu/pages/alumni/alumnibenefits.html or call 973-655-4141.

all for Board nominations

The Alumni Association is eager to roaden the representation of alumni by dding MSUAA board members from a vide range of class years and professional nterests. This enthusiastic group meets nonthly during the school year and hosts lumni events. For more information or to ubmit a nomination, call 973-655-4141 or -mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Calendar

Oct. 19: Homecoming:
Women's Soccer 11 a.m. vs. Kean.
Football 4 p.m. vs. William Paterson.

Nov. 11-21 and Feb. 5-27: Alumni Phonathon.

May 3: Alumni Weekend.

Log on to www.montclair.edu and click on the "Events and Programs" for a complete list of what's happening on campus.

Writing a new chapter... Alumni Association President Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A. signs the official agreement for the Black Alumni Chapter (see The Inside Track on page 2). Pictured at the celebratory event are, from left, Diane Gipson '80, Association board member Maria Schantz '60 M.A., Pam Sellers '78, DeFeo, board member Elaine Yaccarino '88 '92 M.A., Ruth Stuart '77, Lori Scott-Pickens '78 and board member Vivian Lalumia '86.

University welcomes new alumni director

Meet Catherine Katz, the new director of Alumni Relations. Katz joined Montclair State in August and is looking forward to working with the University's alumni, and providing essential programming and resources.

"My job is to find out what our alumni want and need from Montclair State," Katz said, "and to develop and implement programs that will help us provide those valuable services and resources."

Most recently, Katz served as alumnae director at Castilleja School in Palo Alto, Calif., an independent college preparatory school for girls in grades 6-12. There she launched several programs, including an online community, which successfully strengthened relationships between alumnae and the school. She also was a senior officer at the Watkinson School in Hartford, Conn., where she served as director of marketing and technology. She has received several awards from the Council for Advancement and Support of Education.

"We are very excited that Cathy has joined us," said Dr. Gregory Waters, vice president for University Advancement. "Her experience, enthusiasm and leadership will be helpful to the University and the Alumni Association as we work together to expand the number of alumni programs and increase the number of alumni who participate."

Spanning the University

Bravo! All smiles at the TheatreFest 2002 season opening celebration are actress Melba Moore '70; Dr. Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts; baseball great Yogi Berra; Montclair State President Susan A. Cole; and daytime television actress Kim Zimmer. This year's line-up, which included Susan Lucci in concert, Zimmer in "Dirty Blonde," Arthur Miller's "A View From the Bridge" and the world premiere of "Norman's Ark," was a great success.

Alumni cheer on Jackals

Alumni and guests attended the fifth annual Alumni Association outing to watch the New Jersey Jackals claim an 11-8 victory over the Brockton Rox at Yogi Berra Stadium on July 16. This annual event has become a fun tradition for baseball fans of all ages. If you couldn't make it to this year's game, don't miss out on the excitement next year.

Gary Glebas '98 M.A. (second from left), his son, Myles, (left) and friends Steve and Brian Fisher get into Jackals spirit at the annual alumni event.

Rebecca Rush O'Connell '91 and her husband Brian O'Connell '95 M.A. treated their children Nicole and Andrew to a day at the Jackals.

From Smart Boards to mirrored walls, here are some creative ways to give

ake heart. Support the purchase of auomated external defibrillators for the ampus. $1,000

eep the channels open. Provide comnunications equipment for Montclair tate's Crisis Management Team. $4,000

he beat goes on. Purchase an elecronic CPR training manikin to be used y volunteer emergency medical serices members. $2,800

o digital. Underwrite the cost of digiizing *The Montclarion*, the student ewspaper, to preserve the newspaper nd make it available electronically rom various links off the University's Veb site. $2,000

Vorth a thousand words. A digital amera to be used with Sprague ibrary's new Multimedia Resources workstation will allow students to scan materials for course projects and presentations. $500

Here's looking at you! Underwrite a wall of mirrors for the make-up room in the Alexander Kasser Theater. $2,500

Ride with the Red Hawk. Purchase a 15-passenger van to transport athletic teams to away games. $28,000

Let's get physical. Equip the new Physical Anthropology Laboratory with skeletons and fossil casts. $5,000

Get smart. Purchase a portable 72-inch "smart board." These interactive white boards allow faculty to display images, such as spreadsheets and data analyses, from their laptop computers. $2,100

Have a seat. Name an orchestra seat in the new Alexander Kasser Theater. $1,000.

Make a sound investment. Purchase a dictaphone and computer for the new research lab in the Department of Communication Sciences and Disorders. $2,400

Broaden horizons. Help a student gain firsthand knowledge of another language and culture by sponsoring a semester's study abroad. $5,000

Gift opportunities are subject to change. Contributions in support of these gifts or other inquires about giving opportunities may be sent to Cynthia Lepre Barnes '72, director of Development, Montclair State University, Upper Montclair, NJ 07040.

For more information about these gift-giving opportunities, contact Barnes at 973-655-4344 or by e-mail at barnesc@mail.montclair.edu.

Go Red Hawks!

Get your Montclair State spirit going and root for the Red Hawks this fall. Home games are listed below. For a complete sports schedule, go to www.montclair.edu/athletics.

Football

prague Field. Coach Rick Giancola
Oct. 5: SUNY-Cortland. 1:30 p.m.
Oct. 19: William Paterson (Homecoming). 4 p.m.
Nov. 2: The College of New Jersey. 1:30 p.m.
Nov. 16: Rowan University. 1:30 p.m.

Women's Soccer

Sprague Field. Coach Eileen Blair
Oct. 2: William Paterson. 8 p.m.
Oct. 14: Stevens Tech. 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 16: New Jersey City University. 8 p.m.
Oct. 19: Kean University (Homecoming). 11 a.m.

Men's Soccer

Soccer Park. Coach Brian Sentowski
Oct. 5: Rowan University. 1 p.m.
Oct. 10: Neumann College. 3 p.m.
Oct. 12: Centenary College. 1 p.m.
Oct. 23: New York Tech. 3 p.m.
Oct. 26: The College of New Jersey. 1 p.m.
Nov. 2: Richard Stockton. 1 p.m.

Field Hockey

Sprague Field. Coach Beth Gottung
Oct. 4: University of Scranton. 5:30 p.m.
Oct. 8: Fairleigh Dickinson-Madison. 8 p.m.
Oct. 12: Messiah College. 1 p.m.
Oct. 15: Kean University. 7:30 p.m.
Oct. 22: SUNY-New Paltz. 8 p.m.
Nov. 2: Juniata College. 6:30 p.m.
Nov. 5: Rowan University. 7:30 p.m.

Volleyball

Panzer Gym. Coach Sandy Sanchez-Lombeyda
Oct. 1: Rutgers-Newark. 7 p.m.
Oct. 8: Rowan University. 7 p.m.
Oct. 22: Kean University. 7 p.m.

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Please let us know if you have a change in address, e-mail address or phone number.

Let's stay in touch!

That's Life

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Send information for "That's Life" to Montclair State University Office of Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043

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Alberta Mackey Seidewitz turned 100 years old in March. The retired home economics teacher celebrated with a small party at her Park Ridge home, where she has lived for the past 50 years.

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Dorothy S. Lehmkuhl '46 M.A. received the North Jersey Section American Chemical Society (ACS) Burton C. Belden Distinguished Service Award for 2002. She has been an ACS member since 1947.

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Dolores Stanek, after a successful career as a media specialist for the Little Falls school system, has been appointed to the Lakeland Bank Advisory Board. She also is treasurer for the business and professional department of the Little Falls Women's Club.

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Sharpe James has been re-elected to a fifth term as mayor of the city of Newark.

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Ruth Ivers has retired after 40 years of teaching English. She also was director of the Bunker Hill Community College theater program in Boston and directed more than 30 plays in that role. She plans to remain active as a writer.

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Ann W. Hartmann, a financial consultant and principal of Hartmann & Associates of Lincoln Financial Advisors, and an accredited estate planner, is serving as national president of the Society of Financial Services Professionals, an organization of 25,000 members. Her term ends in October. Hartmann also is a securities arbitrator for the American Arbitration Association, an active national speaker about practice management and investment and business planning, and a member of the investment committee for Maumee Valley Girl Scouts in Ohio.

Ann W. Hartmann

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Dennis Carroll '71 M.A., district supervisor of art for the Ridgewood public school system and head of the Ridgewood High School Art Department, has retired after 35 years of service.

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Carolyn F. Chesney has served for several years as president of George Santelli, Inc. of Englewood, which manufactures fencing apparel and equipment.

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Roger Marcotte has ended a 35-year career in teaching. His last position was at Hawthorne High School as department supervisor and coordinator of the cooperative education program. He and his family have relocated to Little Egg Harbor.

Joann Marzocco, a professor at Bergen Community College, received the Excellence Award from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development at a ceremony in Austin, Texas.

Linda Sue Galate M.A. presented a paper at the Mid-Atlantic Regional Society of Biblical Literature/ American Academy of Religion conference in Baltimore on the interpretation of the Velatio fresco in the Roman catacombs. She also published an article regarding the paper in *Archaeology Online* at www.archaeology.org.

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Robert J. Boland, an attorney and member of the Monmouth County Bar, New Jersey State Bar and New Jersey Defense Associations, has been reappointed as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation.

Robert W. Grace, president of the New Orleans Filipino Lions Club, has spent 15 years volunteering his time in various positions ranging from taking calls at the local YWCA rape crisis hotline to maintaining a Web site for a local radio station for the blind.

Paul J. Lioy, acting associate director of the Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Institute, has worked at ground zero helping to ensure the health and safety of other workers and volunteers both at the World Trade Center and in surrounding areas.

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Mari-Jo (Marra) Policastro '74 M.A. took part in a coffee house series sponsored by the Metuchen Cultural Arts Commission. She performed with her piano duo, Polymania.

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Diana Ziegler Lieberman, a reporter for the *Detroit Jewish News* in Southfield, Mich., was awarded first place for Community Journalism from the Michigan Press Association.

Maureen Conway M.A. is chief information officer at Hewlett Packard, overseeing the Information Technology Department

William E. Desmond M.A. has become superintendent of the County Technical School of Crest Haven. He was formerly Cape May County Schools superintendent.

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Maria Schmidt '76 M.A. was reappointed as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation. She is a supervisor of social studies in Westfield and an adjunct professor of education at Seton Hall University.

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Joseph Leitch '94 M.A. represented the Ramapo Indian Hills Regional High School District in the 2001-02 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program. The Ramapo High School teacher also was honored by the high school Board of Education, receiving a plaque and a grant of $100 to be used for a district project.

Marcy LoCastro was accepted as a member of the New Jersey 300 Women's Leadership Forum. LoCastro specializes in managing the design and implementation of financial business process information systems, and has been with Deloitte & Touche for the past three years.

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James Walker Jr., a clinician at the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey in Piscataway, earned an Ed.D. in counseling psychology.

Angelo Genova of Genova, Burns & Vernoia, the New Jersey/New York management, labor and employment law firm in Livingston, was a featured speaker at the Practicing Law Institute's Seminar on Sexual Harassment Claims held in New York. He spoke on the topic of "Defense and Related Sexual Harassment Issues." He also was appointed to the New Jersey Region Board of Directors for the National Conference of Community and Justice.

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Dee Klikier '91 M.A., a second-grade teacher at Harding Township School, was chosen by the Harding Township Board of Education as the school's new principal.

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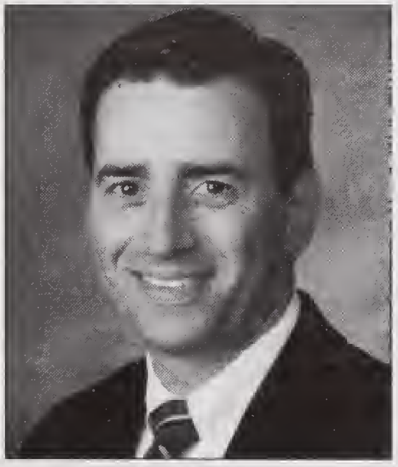
Ron Kozinski was selected as vice president of accounting at Degussa Corporation. He is a licensed CPA and member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants, and the Financial Executive Institute. As vice president he oversees the company's accounting policies and practices in the North American Free Trade Agreement region.



Ron Kozinski

Kathleen Salvo M.A. has coupled free enterprise with philanthropy in her new business, Heavenly Chocolates. In an effort to continue health care for her daughter Amanda, who has Rett's Syndrome, Salvo turned to a family tradition, making chocolate. The company is funding a foundation to help other handicapped children and adults.

Anthony M. Carlino, an attorney and former assistant prosecutor in Bergen County, was made a partner at the firm of McElroy, Deutsch & Mulvaney in Morristown.

Arlene Tyler, Irvington's health director, received the 2002 Community Service Award from the Irvington Chamber of Commerce at its 70th annual civic awards dinner. She also is a member of the Irvington Neighborhood Improvement Corporation and is credited with outstanding service to the poor.

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Joanne Pendleton, a professional interior designer, teaches home design in Hillsborough. She also sings with the Master Works Chorus in New Jersey, a young artists group at Carnegie Hall, and the MacDowell Club.

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Gregory Collins, a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the National Association of Black Accountants, was elected to the Board of Trustees of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA). Collins is a partner at Mitchell & Titus of New York, a member of the NJSCPA Sports and Entertainment Committee, and co-chair of the Marion P. Thomas Charter School's Board of Trustees.

Judith Fringuello '84 M.A. has authored *Tim's Place*, her personal account of her son's struggle with kidney failure and her efforts to save him. She also created all the illustrations for the book, which is self-published.

Tom Dezao was appointed vice president of Strategic Marketing and Sales for Genitope Corporation in California. He was formerly vice president of Marketing at Corixa Corporation and Coulter Pharmaceuticals, Inc.

Gerald Lamb M.A., a math teacher at Livingston High School, was named the most influential teacher in Essex County by *The Star-Ledger* newspaper.

80

Joyce A. Snyder M.A., an assistant superintendent and teaching veteran of 31 years, has been named acting superintendent of the Ridgewood school district.

Marian Mastrorilli is a member of the band Project Mercury, which recently released a CD and performed at the New Jersey Folk Festival.

Christopher L. Hayes has been appointed assistant vice president and branch manager of the Dennisville office of Sturdy Savings Bank in Stone Harbor.

Wayne L. Peragallo, president of the *Asbury Park Press*, was presented with the President's Ring from Gannett Co. Inc. The award recognizes outstanding performance.

81

John Henry '87 M.A., an applied technology teacher at Woodbury High School, received the 2002 Teacher Award from Radio Shack Corporation. The $3,000 award recognizes commitment to academic excellence in mathematics, science and technology.

83

Peter Crocitto, executive vice president at Valley National Bank in Wayne, celebrated his 25th year at the institution.

85

John Iannarelli has been transferred to FBI headquarters and promoted to supervisor, Director's Office, National Press Office, Office of Public and Congressional Affairs.

Craig Scott Brown Sr. was made pastor of Bethany Baptist Church in Jamaica, Queens.

Elizabeth Wong, former chair of the New Jersey Development Authority for Small Businesses, Minorities' and Women's Enterprises, has been chosen by Gov. James E. McGreevey as executive director of the state Higher Education Student Assistance Authority, where she will oversee scholarships, loan programs and the college saving plan.

87

Patrick Luzzi, a 10-year veteran in commercial real estate, was appointed vice president of Leasing at Advance Realty Group.

88

Anthony J. Mauriello, Jr. M.A. was one of 66 judges at the 2002 Lancaster, Pa. Science and Engineering Fair.

89

Patricia Giarratano has joined Amper, Politziner and Mattia, CPAs, as senior manager of the firm's Tax Department in Raritan Township.

Angela Kamm brings 15 years of experience in marketing, public relations, advertising and community outreach to her new position as community relations director for the San Marcos Foothills Coalition in Santa Barbara, Calif.

That's Life

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Brian Shnipper directed the comedy "A Hotel on Marvin Gardens," a production of 12 Miles West Theatre Company in Montclair.

Sherry Jenkins is director of Finance for the municipality of Mt. Olive. She formerly was chief financial officer in Maplewood.

Kim Barnes-Arico is coach of Adelphi, the nationally ranked women's basketball team and winner of the 1998-99 New Jersey Coach of the Year.

Robert D. Lupozzo was promoted to manager at Victualic, where he is responsible for all sales of sprinkle heads and other devices in the United States.

91

Michelle Kowalsky '99 M.A., an adjunct professor of research methods in English at William Paterson University, was appointed Whippany Park media specialist.

Joseph Kunz has been named chief financial officer of Union City. He previously was CFO in River Vale.

David Emma, a history teacher at Ridge High School, was voted Teacher of the Year by his peers in the Basking Ridge section of Bernards Township.

Henry Kobik was nominated for Teacher of the Year by Delsea Regional High School. He also is adviser for the History Club and has coached boys' soccer, golf and diving.

93

Douglas Bollinger, who won top honors at the Myhelan Indie Film Festival for his first feature film, has directed, "Just Lovers," which was shown at film festivals in Tennessee, Pennsylvania and Wisconsin. Actor **Phillip M. Cirincione** plays the role of the hero in the film.

94

Gary Borges has left a successful career as an athletic trainer for such teams as the New York Mets and the Cleveland Indians, to become the new trainer at Whippany High School.

David J. Cozzi received a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree and began his residency in July.

95

Renee Vetere was promoted from director of training to chief operational officer at The Radclyffe Group of Fairfield.

Michael Ahmadi is working as a community health specialist at the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute in Bethesda, Md. He received a master's degree from the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey—School of Public Health.

97

Julio Marenco, an attorney with the firm of Alexander Locatelli and former commissioner for the North Bergen Parking Authority, has been elected to the North Bergen School Board.

Jennifer Owen, compounding technician at Rock Ridge Pharmacy, was named Technician of the Month by the Professional Compounding Centers of America.

98

Evan C. Childs has been named director of Public Relations for the Credit Union Affiliates of New Jersey. He previously served as chief of staff to Assemblywoman Marion Crecco.

Michael Skara M.A. was hired as director of technology in the Readington Township School District. He held a similar position at Delaware Valley Regional High School.

99

Keith Donnelly has joined the sales force of Foley, the Caterpillar Dealer of North Jersey and Staten Island.

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Jessica Rasp, a social activist and Red Cross caseworker for the World Trade Center disaster, spoke at the Bloomfield Public Library about her efforts with Peace Trees, an organization that replaces land mines with trees.

Margery Agnone was hired by Senior Care Centers of America as administrator of its Totowa facility.

Vincent Strumolo has written *A Fight for Life: Beating Cancer*, recounting his own battle with the disease. He is touring several states to promote the book.

Raine Brown, professional actress and acting instructor at Robin Horneff Performance Arts Center and at the Rutherford Enrichment Program, is teaching in the Ridgewood YWCA's Pre-teen Acting Workshop.

Josh Osowski, superintendent of Liberty State Park, was a coordinator of the Governor's Candlelight Vigil and Remembrance Ceremony at the park last fall. Osowski, who teaches field ecology and general biology, received a Volunteer Excellence Award for his work with students with disabilities, and was a guest speaker at the 17th Annual Sussex County Scholar Athlete Awards Banquet.

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Allison M. Perrine-Larena M.A. was named executive director of the Community Theatre in Morristown, where she oversees 22 staff workers and more than 100 volunteers, and is responsible for the organization's business, financial and operational affairs.

Engagements

Warren Farrell '65 to Liz Dowling

Thomas Cullen '95 to **Tara L. McQuaid '96**

John P. Hines '94 to **Michelle McCroy '96 '98 M.A.**

Linda Marie Palmer '98 to Walter Joseph Adenau

Amy Cote '01 to Christian Cardenas

Marriages

Michelle R. Kostek '91 to Thomas Cottone on May 19, 2002

Pasquale Pontoriero '94 to Johanna Rossi on April 6, 2002

Terry Marco '87 to George Garcia on Aug. 16, 2002

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Births

To **Karen Shustack Walker '87** and her husband, **Timothy Walker '87,** a girl, Caroline Emma, on May 25, 2002

To **Katherine Regan Zoccoli '94** and her husband, Paul, a boy, Jack Regan, on April 14, 2002

To **Victoria Mercogliano-Romana '94** and her husband, **Mario Romana '95,** a girl, Isabella Mia, on Feb. 5, 2002

To **Mark A. Heber '98** and his wife, Sheila, a boy, Mark Anthony Jamal, on Dec. 7, 2001

To **Irene B. Wall '99 M.A.** and her husband, **Conrad Corpus '93,** a girl, Bridget Avelina, on March 26, 2002

Anniversaries

Clifford R. Kreismer '50, '52 M.A. and his wife Helen recently celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.

Gerard Santangelo '59 and his wife Tyra celebrated 50 years on April 13, 2002.

In Memoriam

Marion Perkins Vaughn '22
Tena Barnert Harris '29
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Alumni can send information about engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births to Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu All information must be submitted within six months of the event and include expected date of marriage for "Engagements," the wedding date for "Marriages" and the date of birth for "Births." Anniversaries in five-year increments from the 30th anniversary on will be published. All submissions must include a name and telephone number for verification.

Remembering Irv Gawley

The Montclair State community lost a dear alumnus, colleague and friend, Irwin "Irv" H. Gawley '49 '59 M.A., who passed away Aug. 7.

Irv became a member of the chemistry faculty in 1956 and, during his 32-year career, served as chair of the Science Department, the first dean of what is now the College of Science and Mathematics, and vice president for Academic Affairs. He retired in 1988 but remained active in the Alumni Association and the Association of Retired Montclairites. He held a doctorate in education at Columbia University's Teacher College.

"Irv provided strong, steady leadership to Academic Affairs as the institution was evolving from a teachers college into a comprehensive university and through a period of significant growth during the '70s," said Provost Richard Lynde. "He will be remembered for, among many things, the integrity that characterized his interactions with colleagues and his colorful bow ties."

Notes from Panzer

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Hal Lefcourt '48 has been selected as general chair of the 50th Anniversary Celebration Committee of Levittown, Pa. (1952-2002). Pennsylvania Gov. Mark Schweiker serves as the honorary chair. Levittown is historically noted as "the first fully planned residential community in suburban America."

Joe Bongiorno '52 and his wife Dorothy celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at the Sheraton Parsippany Hotel with family and friends. The Bongiorno children and their spouses presented Joe and Dorothy with a trip to Antigua. When not traveling, much of their time is divided between their home in Flemington, summers in Barnegat and winters in Naples, Fla. Congratulations, Joe and Dorothy.

Flo Felano '53 is the first Special Olympics coach to receive the Interscholastic Coaches Hall of Fame Award. Flo's group began with eight participants and now has 67 registered members ranging in age from 6 to 57 years. These Special Olympic athletes participate in the roller skating, basketball, bowling, bocce ball, and track and field activities. Recently Flo and her athletes attended a Women's National Basketball Association game in Madison Square Garden, where the group sang the national anthem before an audience of more than 13,000 NY Liberty fans. Christine Crotty, who has sung the anthem at many events including three years at the State Summer Games, was the featured singer.

Now here's a little Panzer College trivia

From 1918 to 1958 Panzer College in East Orange graduated about 1,430 men and women. As of this year, 698 are deceased, the location of 148 is unknown, and 583 of us are still "hanging in there."

Of us, 115 are between the ages of 65 and 69, 281 are between 70 and 79 years of age and 187 are 80 to 90+.

It is not difficult to see why Panzer Notes has been dwindling. Therefore, the column will appear only when there is enough news, so please keep those updates coming.

It has been almost four years since Dr. Hazel Wacker retired from writing this column and asked if I would continue keeping our grads informed. It has been most enjoyable.

Remember, keep those letters coming in. Send news for Panzer Notes to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail to ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Panzer Notes" in the subject line.

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September 11, 2002

A day of Hope and Remembrance

The Montclair State Community came together September 11 to pay tribute to the heroes and victims of last year's terrorist attacks in a day of Hope and Remembrance.

Pictured right, Michele Brandao and Christian Suarez participate in an evening candlelight ceremony that began at 9:11.

Pictured below, Judith Lin Hunt, dean of Library Services, and her granddaughter Callista place soil around a tree planted outside Sprague Library in memory of alumni lost in the Sept. 11 attacks. The fallen alumni are Jean DePalma '80, Robert "Bobby" Hughes '01, Dorota Kopiczko '99, Steven Schlag '82, Khalid Shahid '99, Dennis Taormina, Jr. '88 and Shari Kandell, a student who was made an honorary member of the Alumni Association.

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Shaping the arts

BY NANCY HUTCHINSON '69

Montclair State University sits on a green New Jersey hilltop, but it exerts a powerful influence on the arts far beyond the campus. In places as close as the local community and as far away as China, the University has a profound impact on the visual and performing arts. Some of this influence is the direct result of the University's outreach, while the work of students, faculty and alumni continues to shape the arts regionally, nationally and worldwide.

Paul Ellis, cultural affairs director for the Township of Montclair, speaks with enthusiasm about the University's importance to the community. When he embarked on the creation of an arts master plan for the town, he turned to Montclair State for help. School of the Arts (SART) Assistant Dean Ronald Sharps worked with Ellis to strategize the process, conducted community focus groups and committee meetings, and then helped craft the final document.

"At conferences around the country, colleagues tell me that connecting with Montclair State was the smartest thing I've ever done," Ellis said. "The partnership gives us a stature and credibility that we would never enjoy otherwise."

Ellis points to several collaborations as examples of the University's involvement with the township. Studio Montclair, a group of local artists, stages an annual show in the University galleries; the Music Department conducted summer workshops for Jazz 2000, a community-organized effort; students and faculty are featured in the township's Monday Night Jazz concert series; and composer/musician Dean Drummond has performed at First Night Montclair, using the one-of-a-kind Partch Instruments that reside at the University (see story on page 9).

"Our involvement with the township's arts master plan was vitally important for us as a leader in the community," said Geoffrey Newman, dean of SART. "But the arts plan is just one initiative."

In December, the University hosted a statewide arts summit to discuss issues important to arts practitioners. Beyond that, the school has supplied resources for dance companies such as Freespace and Amajou, and helped create the Aljira Gallery, where faculty continue to serve as advisers. Professional theater company 12 Miles West was founded by Montclair State alumni, and faculty continue to serve on its board.

Alfred Davis, who has served on the School of the Arts Advisory Board for eight years, currently as president, is passionate about

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The Inside Track

Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
President, Alumni Association

I think we would all agree that our Montclair State training has prepared us well for our chosen fields. Alumni have (and have retired from) successful careers across the country and throughout the world. While many of us were prepared to become educators, many more recent graduates took a more liberal arts route.

This issue of *Alumni Life* focuses on the arts. Alumni frequently contact us for many reasons, often just to update us on what is happening in their lives and to tell us where their career paths have taken them. It comes as no surprise that career preparation outside the education field is equally fine.

Montclair State graduates are successful in theater, dance, music and fine arts. You will find alumni in all aspects of these areas—performing, directing, producing, writing and choreographing. Certainly they came with talents, but the preparation and fine-tuning were all part of the Montclair training. Because of these success stories, more and more talented new students are coming our way.

Part of the exciting plans for campus development is a new theater that will make state-of-the-art equipment available to our students. Better facilities and new productions will bring more people to campus and no doubt attract more talented students.

What excites me most, though, about the new theater is that it will be adjacent to the amphitheater. You have read about the amphitheater restoration project in previous issues. When it is completed, it will be the perfect location for outdoor theatrical productions and concerts. Don't miss the story in this issue about the 1994 production of "Hair" in the amphitheater. The story was written by alumna Gail Corrigan '95, who was part of the production. I also hope that you have had the opportunity to check out the University Web site (www.montclair.edu) for photos and memories of the amphitheater for fellow alumni. You can also find out how to support this project.

On another matter, I must reflect back on my last *Alumni Life* message. No sooner had my message on volunteerism gone to print when our lives changed forever. The events of Sept. 11 brought out the best in Americans when we were needed the most. I applaud those of you who stepped up and gave your time to help those in need. A page in this issue also pays tribute to the four alumni and one student lost in those tragic events. I hope you join me in keeping all the victims, especially those who were part of our Montclair State family, in our hearts and thoughts.

Susan A. Cole
President
Montclair State University

In a letter to H.G. Wells, writer Henry James said, "It is art that makes life. I know of no substitute whatever for the force and beauty of its process."

Montclair State's commitment to the full range of the living arts is catalogued in this issue, where you will find that from international art exhibitions to Harry Partch's strange and wonderful instruments, MSU is devoted to the concept that life is immeasurably enhanced by art.

We are proud of our programs of study in the arts, proud of the talents and ambitions of our students, and equally proud that we are able to share these wonderful undertakings with the larger community.

As I look out a College Hall window, I can see the ongoing construction efforts that will result in our marvelous new 500-seat theater, a much needed facility for our fine instructional programs in music, theater and dance. The theater will provide a dynamic venue for the University, community and professional offerings.

Complementing the new theater is our newly dedicated L. Howard Fox Studio Theatre, which has been extensively refurbished and provides an intimate 100-seat forum for theater of the most personal variety.

Our theater outreach includes the 12 Miles West professional theater company, founded by Montclair State alumni; Camp TheatreFest and Arts Voyage programs for at-risk and special needs children; and a schedule of professional performances that delight attentive audiences of 25,000 youngsters each year. Our music programs reach more than 1,300 children annually who receive personalized musical instruction.

The University's global artistic commitment has led our arts faculty and students to every corner of the globe, from Eastern Europe to Australia, New Zealand and China, where they have performed and exhibited their artwork to the delight of international audiences.

Our artistic mission never strays from its academic foundations, even overseas. Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, through the International Council of Fine Arts Deans, serves as a consultant to European arts educators, and Montclair State is an active member of the European League of Institutes of Arts.

Our nationally recognized alumni also paint a bright picture of the scope and success of our varied artistic programs. Singer and actress Melba Moore, Metropolitan Opera star Paul Plishka and Four Seasons singer Gerry Polci are just a few of the MSU artists gracing the national state.

Henry James was correct, but he didn't go far enough. At Montclair State University, art not only makes life, it makes life better for thousands of students every year and for thousands of members of our surrounding communities with whom we share our artistic resources.

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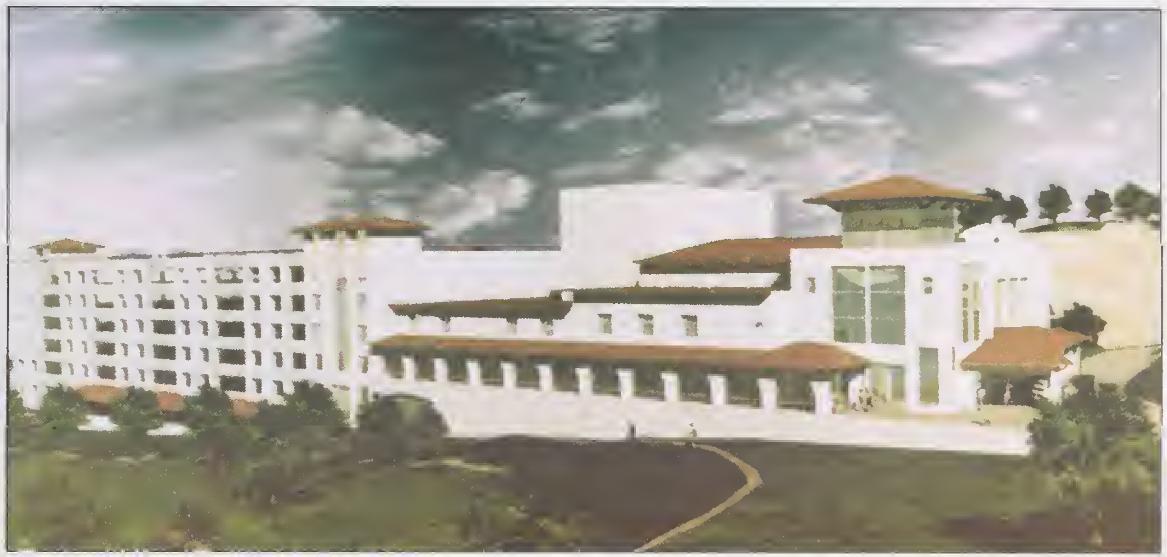


An artist's rendering of the new theater—Plans are underway for a 500-seat theater that will be fully equipped for concert, theater and dance events. Connected to the theater will be a multi-level parking structure that can accommodate 1,000 vehicles. The fourth level will house a café and lead directly to the theater's main entrance via a loggia. Theater construction is expected to begin June 2002, with an anticipated opening date of September 2003. It will welcome tens of thousands of visitors a year, serving the local arts community and strengthening the University as a regional arts center. Anyone interested in learning about ways of supporting the theater can call the Development Office at 973-655-4344.

community outreach. A former president of the Montclair Chamber of Commerce, Davis has long fostered town and gown projects, and is delighted that under Montclair State President Susan A. Cole such connections are stronger than ever.

"I've found Dr. Cole to be open and energetic," he said. "My own mission is to incorporate even more students from urban areas into our programming. I love it when we are able to bring students from other areas to campus to experience things like Camp TheatreFest."

Montclair State conducts many programs that expose young people to the arts and help build tomorrow's audiences. Working with community groups, Newman launched Camp TheatreFest and Arts Voyage programs for at-risk and special-needs children, as well as for those who otherwise would not experience the arts. Last summer, the program served more than 1,300 students. Theater performances during the academic year delighted another 25,000 children from kindergarten through 12th grade.

The Music Preparatory Division offers musical instruction to 800 children each academic year. During the summer, the University conducts a residential music camp for another 300 children at Montclair State's New Jersey School of Conservation in Stokes State Forest.

In addition to training the next generation of music professionals, faculty members also pursue distinguished performing careers. Oscar Ravina plays with the New York Philharmonic, David Singer is a principal musician with Orpheus and was featured on the groups Grammy-winning CD.

"Theater at Montclair State is a treasure," said Rose Cali, a member of the University's Board of Trustees and the SART Advisory Board. "And with her plans for a new theater, President Cole is doing a marvelous job of tackling the issues that have prevented even more people from coming."

Newman agrees that the planned 500-seat theater will greatly enhance the work of the School of the Arts. "The new space will enable us to do much more. One of our chronic problems is that our resources have been somewhat limited, and the needs are vast."

SART provides the evaluation component for the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, where Philip Thomas '77 is vice president for education. The University helps place artists into Newark schools and then monitors the success of programs in order to make recommendations concerning K through 12 initiatives.

The school's commitment to outreach has led arts faculty and students as far away as Australia, New Zealand and Eastern and Western Europe, where they perform for international audiences. Newman said audiences are often surprised at the level of performance they see from Montclair State students.

Beyond the impact Montclair State has on the international scene through performances and exhibitions, there is also a significant impact on the development of arts policy. Through the International Council of Fine Arts Deans, Newman acts as consultant to European arts educators seeking to move their countries from the traditional conservatory approach in arts education toward a university-based model. Montclair State is part of the European League of Institutes of Arts and participated in a colloquium on the 21st century and arts education hosted by Holland's Minerva Academy, designed to address the professional education needs of today's students.

"I am proud of the outreach and influence we have, and I'm even more proud that the same spirit has carried over to our alumni," Newman said, citing alumni Joseph Tucker '79, senior vice president for production and administration for Walt Disney who is a member of the SART Advisory Board, and Jeff Friedman '78, general manager of New Jersey Network who teaches in the Broadcasting Department, among others.

The artistic careers of Montclair State alumni continue to enrich the national scene. From Metropolitan Opera star Paul Plishka '66 to Four Seasons singer Gerry Polci '95 to Anthony LaGruth '88, artistic director and conductor of the Garden State Philharmonic, artists trained at Montclair State can be found everywhere. Martin Van Treuren '76 is now on Broadway in "Jekyll & Hyde," and his twin brother, James '76, most recently appeared in "The Scarlet Pimpernel."

Singer and actress Melba Moore '70 has enjoyed a long and successful career, and continues to stay close to Montclair State, returning in 1994 to star in a TheatreFest production of "Anything Goes."

Eric Diamond, chair of the Theatre and Dance Department, talks with pride about Gaspard Louis '93, who has been a member of the Pilobolus troupe, and Sebastian Smeureanu '91, who is the artistic director of a professional dance company and is pursuing a master's degree in business administration at Montclair State.

And as far away as Idaho, alumna Denise Simone '81 brings vibrant regional theater to thousands of residents and tourists with her Company of Fools repertory troupe, performing in a building owned by former Montclair State student Bruce Willis (see story on page 24).

As the School of the Arts celebrates alumni accomplishments, it also serves as a resource for graduates. "If artists stop growing," Newman said, "they begin to die. So we often find ourselves helping alumni retool and make new connections to the professional world."

One thing is clear: Through its professional training, its outreach and the talent of its students, faculty and alumni, Montclair State University is a force to be reckoned with in the arts.

From Broadway...

Stuart Zagnit '74

BY BILL VALLADARES

On the eve of his college career, a nervous freshman needed to unwind after unpacking in the room he rented in an Upper Mountain Avenue house. So he crossed the tracks and drifted through campus until he got to Life Hall. He wandered inside, saw some students building a set and asked if he could help. They told him to grab a hammer. From that night, Stuart Zagnit became a fixture in Memorial Auditorium.

Thirty-one years later, Zagnit is still a fixture, but he's moved over to Broadway. And the echo of a hammer pounding nails when he's on stage has been replaced by audience applause.

A quintessential character actor with a broad range, Zagnit can go from playing the role of the baker in a national tour of "Into the Woods," to the mayor of Whoville in Broadway's "Seussical the Musical," and most recently portraying both Dick Cheney and Barbara Bush in an off-Broadway production of "Mr. President."

Ironically, one of Zagnit's first stops as a professional actor was at Montclair State. "I was traveling with a company called TheatreWorks," he recalled. "The stage manager at the time told me it was great to see me on the MSU stage again. My response was, it's great to be on an MSU stage *earning a salary*."

Zagnit returned to Montclair State again in 1996 to play Seymour in the TheatreFest production of "Little Shop of Horrors," the same role he played off-Broadway at the Orpheum Theatre. "It was not the same Montclair State I remembered," said Zagnit. "Just some vestiges of what I recalled from the '70s." In 1999 he appeared in TheatreFest again as Stan in "Kiss the Bride," by alumnus John Wooten '90, artistic director of TheatreFest.

Zagnit was back on campus in November, but not to work. He was here to celebrate the renaming of Studio Theatre as the L. Howard Fox Studio Theatre (see story on page 26). "I was thrilled that they renamed the theater after Howard," said Zagnit. "He was a man who loved his family and loved the theater, and I was touched by it."

When Zagnit learned of the University's plans to build a new 500-seat theater, he said, "I'm glad to see that the University's interest in the arts remains strong. This is an exciting prospect because it's great for the students and for the town as well."

Zagnit's acting career, like any worthwhile plot, has not been without conflict and adversity. During his time at Montclair State, the faculty—which served as directors and technical advisers to Players, the student theater organization—created their own entity, the Theatre Series.

"A lot of people thought that was the end of Players," said Zagnit, who served as vice president. "It was unsettling at first, but the students and faculty co-existed, working separately but together. I looked at it as an opportunity to perform in two companies."

It wasn't just in college where Zagnit overcame obstacles. He recalled 1984. "I was seriously unemployed and seriously considered leaving the business," he said. Then the actor, who also sings baritone, landed the title role in "Kuni-Leml" at a Jewish repertory theater on 14th Street in Manhattan. He described the show as a Gilbert and Sullivanesque Yiddish comedy. "My character was like a Jewish elephant man. It was an exhausting show because of the physical demands, but I got to work on my stutter."

After the show moved to off-Broadway at the Audrey Wood Theater that year, Zagnit was both shocked and thrilled to open the Sunday *New York Times* one day in December to find that renowned caricaturist Al Hirschfeld had drawn him as the title character. Today Zagnit proudly displays in his living room that testament to his success as an actor .

He credits that success to a simple philosophy: "The show is only 2 1/2 hours out of your day. If you can't give it your all you're in the wrong business. I have to give that first-time audience my first-time performance, not my 150th performance.

"As an actor I like to be able to not lose sight of people's hearts," he added. "Comedy comes from pain. It's challenging to make people cry. 'Little Shop' is a great lesson in right and wrong. It's 'Faust' on acid, but there's a huge moral heart. Hopefully something resonated deeper in the audience when they went home."

Zagnit, who is currently waiting for his next role, said actors are prepared for employment gaps. In the meantime he does voice-overs, commercials, guest television appearances and industrial projects.

For the moment he is enjoying his favorite role, being a more hands-on dad to his 5-year-old son, Sam. "I cherish the opportunity," said Zagnit, who owns a Brooklyn brownstone with wife Carolyn Sloan, a composer who teaches piano and voice. He boasts that her book, *Finding Your Voice: A Practical and Spiritual Guide to Singing and Living*, is in its third printing by Hyperion.

"A satisfying career is crucial to your happiness in life, but you can't get total fulfillment from work," said Zagnit. "One day it's there and the next day it's not. Family, however, is always there through all the highs and the lows. When I'm in rehearsal from 10 a.m. to midnight I hop a train to Brooklyn just to spend 45 minutes eating dinner with my family, so the time I'm spending with my son right now is precious. Suddenly the little things become bigger."

Actor Stuart Zagnit graciously shares the spotlight with Charlie, his West Highland Terrier, who insisted on being included in the photo.

...to Rockefeller Center

Bruce Michael Kalnitsky '69

BY PERRY JONES '00

On Sept. 7, 1954, a young boy entered Radio City Music Hall for the first time. His parents had brought him there to celebrate his seventh birthday and see the featured movie, "Seven Brides for Seven Brothers." It was at that moment Bruce Michael Kalnitsky knew in his heart that Radio City Music Hall would be a special place in his life.

When he was old enough to return on his own, he did, time and time again. "As a kid I would go almost every change of show," he recalled. "Every time the movie changed, I went."

From 1932 to 1978, Radio City presented a movie and stage show. The audience would see a performance by the orchestra, the Wurlitzer organ, a 30-minute stage spectacular and a premier film.

Kalnitsky's passion for Radio City grew stronger and visits to the Avenue of the Americas became a regular occurrence.

"When I was a student at Montclair State that's how I spent a lot of my free time," he said. "I would go every four or five weeks when the movie changed. Radio City was the world's greatest movie presentation house. I wanted very much to be a part of that whole thing."

Today, as creative producer for the world-famous Rockettes, Kalnitsky has realized a dream. He collaborates with a choreographer to create many of the Rockettes' routines and musical creations. "I learned the craft of Radio City as an audience member, sitting in the front watching where the lights came from, watching how it was done," he said.

Off stage, Kalnitsky is the linchpin responsible for bringing together the various elements of a production, from hiring and finances to production and legal issues.

"I deal with the artists, with the performers, with the financial people, with the legal people, and the overall corporate staff at Radio City, marketing and public relations," he said. "Everything I do impacts all those areas."

In the fall, one of Kalnitsky's activities is to prepare for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade. This year he collaborated with Musical Director Grant Sturiale and Choreographer John Dietrich on a new routine televised at the parade. He also was involved with the costumes and the orchestral score.

It's not long after Kalnitsky has taken his last sip of eggnog that it's time to finalize plans for the Christmas Spectacular. Between Nov. 2 and Dec. 30, more than 200 shows are performed in front of as many as 35,000 spectators per day.

"The Christmas Show is expensive to produce, and everything we do has got to be the right choice," he said.

Not always content with sticking with the tried and true, Kalnitsky also has created new production ideas such as "The Great Radio City Spectacular," which toured across the country playing in huge venues including a spot in Las Vegas where it stayed for five years. A new show in the making, "Radio City Rockettes Out of Line," has the company exploring new directions by taking the women out of the traditional chorus line, showing off their individual talents. In a work by Mercedes Ellington, the women are paired with men for the first time, dancing as couples.

Kalnitsky's career was shaped by enthusiastic and encouraging professors, including the late L. Howard Fox, for whom Montclair State's Studio Theatre recently was named (see story on page 26.) "He was a tremendous influence," Kalnitsky said. "When I told him about my dream to work at Radio City as a producer he thought it was wonderful, and encouraged me to go for it."

There's no doubt Fox would be proud of his former student. And to Kalnitsky's parents who brought him to Radio City for the first time 47 years ago...good choice for a birthday present!

State of the art in the arts

Cuttin' up the floor

Among the many successful dancers who have leapt from Montclair State, several are members of Freespace, currently in residence at Montclair State. Alumnae Donna Scro-Gentile, Lisa Grimes-Van Sickle and Maureen Glennon formed this professional modern dance repertory, offering summer workshops for teens and adults, and courses in ballet, modern and jazz to professional dancers.

In addition to offering workshops and performing full evening concerts, Freespace Dance teaches and performs in many school districts, integrating dance into New Jersey academic curriculums.

Freespace also took part in the Great Events Series in Memorial Auditorium for which dance troupes from around the country are asked to participate. Students as well as alumni make up the dance troupe, making Freespace a convenient bridge between the academic and professional world.

Karen Love '93 also brings proud smiles to the faces of many faculty. In addition to performing at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, Love has formed two professional dance companies: USAAMA, an African dance company for children, and UMOJA, a modern and African dance company for adults. Among the many grants and awards she has received for choreography, Love was an artist-in-residence in 2000-01 at Kent State University.

The Dance Division also takes advantage of its proximity to New York City as professional dancers and choreographers give students the instruction, opportunities and encouragement needed to prepare for a career in dance or any number of related fields.

A piece of work

With a new M.F.A. program and renovated facilities that include state-of-the-art studio space, the Fine Arts Department is most proud of the work done at the hands of its students.

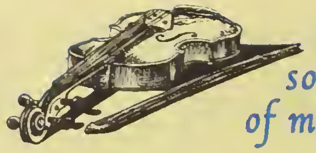
"We think we will have the best visual arts program in the state," said department chair Daryl Moore.

The secret? Fine Arts students learn from the best. The 21 full-time professors are active participants in the arts. Nearly 45 visiting specialists also contribute to an art program considered to be one of most comprehensive in the nation.

The University's prime location near New York City gives students the opportunity to participate in shows and apply their classroom experience in the art world. On campus, students learn from professional artists who offer a broad perspective in all areas of the arts.

Fine Arts programs begin with a strong foundation for all students, whether they are pursuing painting, sculpting, graphic design or any other art field. Students take drawing, art history, 2D and 3D, color study and a wide array of courses to develop creative as well as problem-solving skills.

A new graphic design facility includes a Mac lab and gives students access to their own studio for the duration of their program.



The sound of music

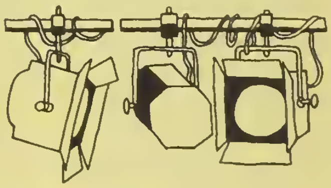
The Music Department has been training professional musicians for more than 40 years. With a new, state-of-the-art theater on the horizon, the music program over the next 40 years should be even better. Among the many instruments students master at Montclair State, is voice, and one of the most beautiful voices in which the University takes pride is that of Melba Moore '70, who received an honorary degree from Montclair State in 1990.

With distinguished faculty and guest artists teaching and performing, the University is the bridge between students and working musicians. The Department presents more than 100 performances each year including shows by internationally known guest artists, faculty recitals and student ensembles.

"The department's performances not only provide entertainment to the campus and its surrounding community, but are also the training ground for tomorrow's professional musicians," said department Chair Ting Ho. "The department's philosophy places a strong emphasis on hearing a wide variety of music, performed live, as an essential part of the musical education that it provides. The performances span a wide range of styles and genres, to expose the student body to as much music as possible during their tenure in college."

Students benefit from personal instruction with some of the finest musicians in the country, if not the world. Internationally known faculty members include Ruth Rendleman, Mary Ann Craig, Jeffrey Gall, Erik Lawrence, Mark Pakman, Harvey Pittel, Oscar Ravina, David Singer and David Witten.

The University also hosts one of the oldest and most prestigious music therapy programs in this country, a program that has earned an international reputation and now offers undergraduate and graduate programs.



On stage

Over the years, the Theatre Division has developed many successful actors, directors, producers and casting directors who are influential on both coasts. Among the most well known actors in Hollywood is former Montclair State student Bruce Willis, who received an honorary degree from the University in 1996.

"It's wonderful to see students make it after Montclair State," said department Chair Eric Diamond. "We don't take sole credit for their successes, though. They are the ones who go and make it."

Montclair State goes to great lengths to help graduates attain success in their craft. Every spring, casting directors, agents and other influentials gather in a rented theater in New York to observe a showcase of graduates perform scenes and monologues.

Check out this issue's cover story for a look at who's doing what in the biz these days.

—By Gail Corrigan '95

Mailbag

Alumni Life welcomes letters from readers. Letters may be edited for length and clarity. Send letters to Montclair State University, Alumni Life Letters, Office of Public Information, 1 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ, 07043, fax 973-655-7382 or e-mail stliferd@mail.montclair.edu.

Dear Editor:

You certainly have a wonderful program in progress in planning the new Children's Center ("Building a Brighter Future," Summer 2001). I hope and pray that it becomes a reality very soon.

Autism is one of the least understood of all the mental conditions of the human race. All too often parents are told to institutionalize the child and concentrate on the other children. That is exactly what my sister and her husband were told with their son, Paul. Unfortunately at that time help was not available. He is now in a state-sponsored facility that has a reasonably good program, but in no way fits people into the mainstream of society.

It is hard to believe that you have discovered a way to turn Eric into a full functioning 9-year-old. His profile fits Paul's, except that someone knew how to develop his potential.

I consider Montclair one of the finest, most progressive and innovative institutions of higher education in the United States. I am proud to have graduated from Montclair in 1928, when it was only a Normal School. I received a top quality education, which has served me well for many years.

God bless your efforts. I know you will succeed.

Kitty May Shaw '29
Cupertino, Calif.

Dear Editor:

Sister Elena Francis Arminio '48 and Dr. Fulcomer

I have so many fond memories of the amphitheater—afternoons spent in the shaded areas preparing homework for my double major in English and Spanish; rehearsing for the all-college production of "El Sombrero de tres picos," the highlight of our interactions with the legendary "Scori" (Teresa de Escoriaza) who was a stickler for detail; and my walks and talks with our revered English professor, Dr. Fulcomer, raconteur and reciter of "Some Little Bug Will Get You Some Day!" and other amusing poems.

My international set of friends and I would gather in the amphitheater to catch up on each other's lives and events. Since 1948 I have taught steadily (except for a year in the Novitiate of the Sisters of Charity with whom I have been a member since Oct. 1, 1951). On Oct. 1, 2001 I celebrated 50 years as a Sister of Charity and I have taught at the College of Saint Elizabeth since 1958 with no retirement in sight.

Sister Elena in the amphitheater.

Your article on the amphitheater ("Memories of a Special Place," Spring 2001) recalled my happy years at Montclair State Teachers College. The education I received prepared me well for my subsequent teaching of Spanish and Italian, for my courses in English and ESL, and for my seven-year tenure as director of the Honors Program.

As a member and past president of the Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey, I was able to make some small contributions to the development of foreign language study in the state—and Montclair State enabled me to do so.

I still keep as my motto, "Carpe Diem." I salute Montclair State University as it faces the challenges of the 21st century. I, for one, welcome the renovations that are under consideration for the amphitheater.

To MSU, "Ad multos annos!"

Sister Elena Francis Arminio '48
Convent Station, N.J.

Dear Editor:

I participated in the recent awards ceremony for veterans. [See page 25 for a photo from the event.] I was honored to be invited. As a veteran of World War II, I wish to thank the University and President Susan A. Cole for affording me and other veterans the profound honor of receiving the New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal. The thoughtfulness manifested by those present and the facilities provided for this auspicious occasion will certainly be remembered.

The ceremony was wonderful! It was quite dignified and very moving. I believe that other attendees would readily join me in expressing appreciation for the professionalism and sensitivity of Major General Paul Glazer as he presented the medals. I, personally, consider it an honor to receive it from so distinguished an officer.

Equally meaningful and expressive were the remarks of President Cole, as well as Representative [William] Pascrell. The presence of veterans—from private to colonel to general—was an inspiring experience, reflecting the dedication, loyalty and service Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, emphasized during the ceremony. My wife and the many friends who attended in support of my award commented on how moved they were by the ceremony. Many said they came away with a deeper appreciation for veterans who served both in combat and other duties.

The ceremony was simply a capstone of honor to an alumnus and veteran of over 50 years, and one that I will never forget.

Joseph Feld '50
South Orange, N.J.

***Editor's note:** Readers interested in learning more about the Children's Center or the amphitheater restoration project should call the Development Office at 973-655-4344.*

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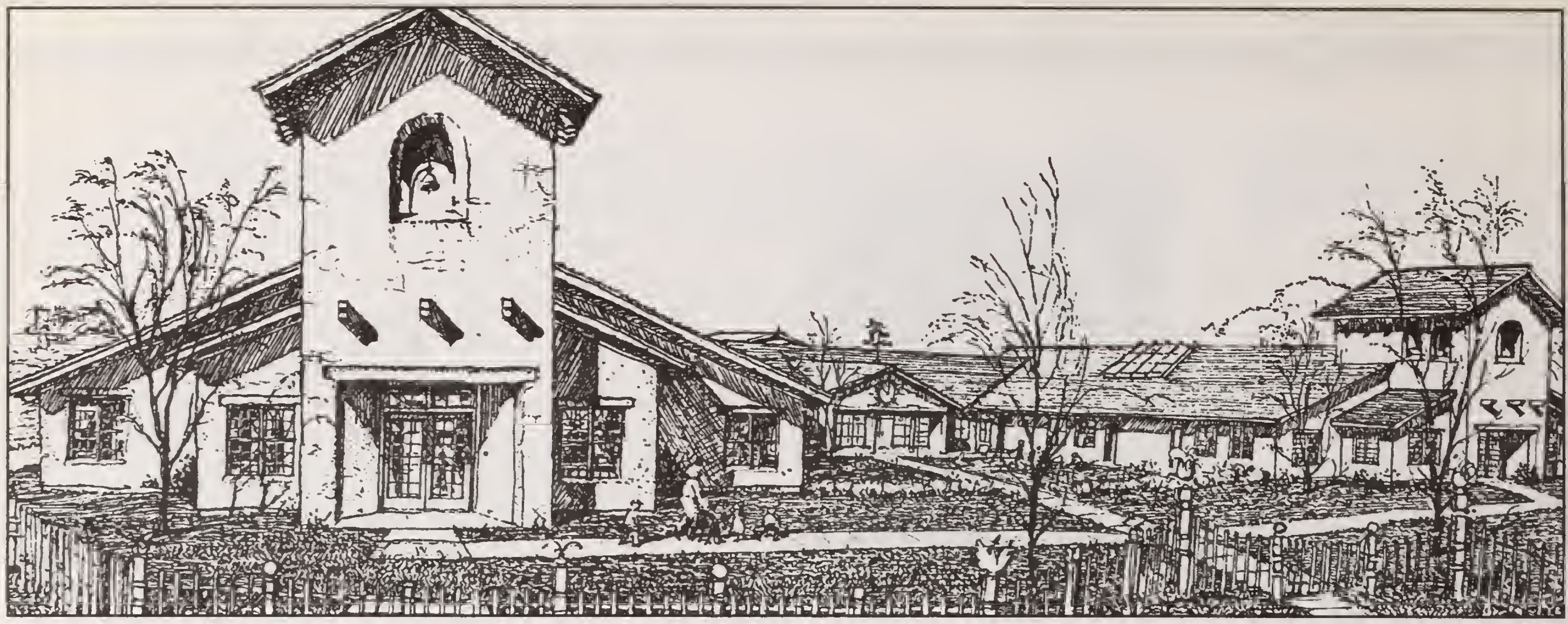

A rendering of the Children's Center

NEW GROWTH Alumni Weekend, May 4, 2002

9:30-11 a.m.
50+Coffee
Student Center Cafeteria
Join fellow alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago. There will be plenty of time to renew old friendships and share memories of the early days at MSC, MSTC and the Normal School at this special gathering. Be sure to bring photos of your Montclair days and your yearbook.

11 a.m.-noon
Alumni Association Annual Meeting
Student Center Cafeteria
Attend the annual meeting of the MSUAA. The annual treasurer's report and program review will take place as well as induction of new officers and board members. We encourage you to become involved.

12:30-2:30 p.m.
Alumni Association Luncheon
Student Center Ballrooms
The luncheon program will include presentation of the Outstanding Faculty Award and recognition of retiring faculty. Special tribute will be paid to Reunion Classes. This is a great chance for classmates to mingle.

2:30 p.m.
Campus Tour and Free Time
See what's new and what's remained the same as you tour the campus on the MSU shuttle bus, or go on a discounted shopping spree at the University Bookstore. Stop by the Red Hawk Diner, go for a skate at Floyd Hall Ice Arena or visit the Yogi Berra Museum and Stadium.

Class Reunion Cocktail Party and Awards Dinner Dance
Student Center
This is the time for all classes, especially those ending in 2 or 7, to renew old friendships and reminisce. You are celebrating a milestone event and it is our pleasure to invite you to what promises to be a memorable evening of fun and nostalgia. Alumni Citation Awards will be presented.

Cocktail Hour with Open Bar
6:30-7:30 p.m.
Student Center Cafeteria

Dinner Dance
7:30-11:30 p.m.
Student Center Ballroom
Enjoy dinner and dancing with friends. A cash bar will be available during dinner.

Yes, I want to join the celebration at Alumni Weekend, May 4, 2002

____ Reservations for 50+ Coffee Club (Alumni who graduated 1952 and prior)	No charge
____ Reservations for Alumni Luncheon* (Alumni who graduated 1952 and prior)	$17 per person $12 per person
____ Reservations for Reunion/Awards Dinner Dance*	$50 per person
____ Reserve by April 13	$45 per person

Please indicate your choice of dinner entree:

____Filet Mignon ____Salmon ____Chicken

**For the luncheon or the dinner, please indicate any special dietary needs. We will be happy to accommodate you.*

Name: ____________________
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The magical music of Harry Partch

By Jennifer Rossi '02

Long before Harry Potter waved his wand to conjure up magic in movie theaters this fall, musicians were swinging their mallets, mesmerizing audiences with the magical sights and sounds of the Harry Partch Instrument Collection at Montclair State University.

Since coming to the University in 1999, Harry Partch's instruments have been welcomed and admired by all those who see and hear them. Soon the instruments, whose unique shapes and multi-syllabic names are as eclectic as the man who invented them, will have a permanent space in the University's new theater.

An experimental American composer, innovative theorist and instrument inventor, Partch is well known for challenging traditional perceptions of music. He died in 1974 at the age of 73, but his music continues to sound through musicians and students dedicated to studying his life and work.

Tricia Galvez is one of those dedicated followers. "I read Harry Partch's book, *Genesis of Music*, and have taken the Harry Partch theory class," said the sophomore music education major. "Partch has a more open view of music that allows for unlimited possibilities."

Plans are in the works for a new minor in Harry Partch studies to begin next year. As part of the curriculum, students will have the opportunity to perform works by Partch and learn the complex tuning system of his unique instruments. They also will learn to maintain and repair the instruments and will be encouraged to create new instruments of their own.

Dean Drummond, director of the New Music Institute, and an assistant professor in the Music Department, was a friend of and assistant to Partch. Following in his mentor's footsteps, Drummond creates instruments of his own. "He opened up a world of possibilities for me," Drummond said. "He inspired me to think for myself." Drummond, who studied trumpet with Don Ellis and John Clyman, and composition with Leonard Stein, performed in the Partch premieres of "Daphne of the Dunes," "And on the Seventh Day Petals Fell in Petaluma," and "Delusion of the Fury."

At Montclair State, Drummond is exposing enthusiastic students to Partch's music, theory and work.

"I love being a part of the Harry Partch Ensemble," said sophomore Stephanie Rinear, a music performance major. "Dean Drummond is an excellent teacher. It is evident he has a love for Harry Partch and a keen appreciation of Partch's contributions to modern music."

The lower level of new 500-seat theater, expected to be completed in fall 2003, will house the Harry Partch Instrument Collection, an Instrumentarium and the New Music Institute. "The Instrumentarium will be a great asset to the University," said Stepfani Starin, co-director of the New Music Institute. "People from all over will come to Montclair State for performances and the music will reach a wide audience."

Drummond welcomes a permanent residence for the instruments. No longer will they have to be disassembled and transported to and from performances and practices. "It also will provide an appropriate acoustic hall for the music," he said.

Music students are equally eager. "I can't wait until the new theater is built," Rinear said. "It will allow people to truly hear Partch's music the way it was meant to be heard. Our current theater swallows up most low notes, and Partch had a love for low notes."

The theater will also allow musicians to play instruments in the collection they haven't been able to use before. "Some of the instruments are very large and the theater will make it possible to use them in performances," Drummond said. "At this time there is no place to even rehearse with the larger instruments."

The Instrumentarium includes the Harry Partch Instrument Collection, Drummond's zoomoozophone and juststrokerods, and a large assortment of exotic percussion pieces. The Harry Partch Instrument Collection includes all the instruments built by the composer-inventor from 1930 to 1974 as well as several instruments replicated by the Harry Partch Foundation between 1974 and 1984, and by Newband since 1990.

Newband, which performs on Partch instruments as well as standard Western instruments, was founded in 1977 by Drummond and Starin. With Drummond's invention of the 31-tone zoomoozophone in 1978, Newband began to explore music using microtonality and alternative tuning systems in an innovative and eclectic repertoire influenced by jazz, rock and world music. Newband includes a core of nine virtuosic multi-instrumentalists who are as at home in concert performances as they are in productions involving theater, dance and film. The group has premiered works by Partch, Drummond and a host of other artists and composers. Their music has been recorded on Mode, Music and Arts, Point and Aurora Records.

Dedicated musicians believe exposure to Partch's instruments have made them become better musicians. Galvez plays the diamond marimba and kithara. "I think these instruments help my ear for music because there are so many different tones to hear," she said. "I also tune the instruments, which is a big task because the notes are so close together."

Rinear agreed. "Playing and listening to Partch's music actually helps me to become a better musician," she said. "Having to find unusual notes helps me train my ear to hear certain intervals better. It is such a unique experience knowing that I am playing on instruments that cannot be found anywhere else in the world. I feel as though I am a part of something really special."

Q&A with Barbara Griffiths '71

U.S. ambassador to Iceland

On Aug. 5, 1999, upon the recommendation of President Bill Clinton, Barbara Griffiths '71 was confirmed by the United States Senate as the ambassador to Iceland. A native of Verona, N.J., Griffiths headed to the volcanic island in the North Atlantic Ocean east of Greenland to begin her three-year appointment.

She recently spoke with *Alumni Life* about her career, her goals and her experiences at Montclair State. "I have wonderful memories of my four years at Montclair State, and my education certainly helped prepare me for this job," she said. "I hope more students and alumni will consider a career in the Foreign Service."

Ambassador Barbara Griffiths (center) introduces Dr. Sigridur Duna Kristmlindsdotti, chair of the Women and Democracy conference, to then U.S. Secretary of State Madeleine Albright.

Alumni Life: *Tell us about your career and what has prepared you to be an ambassador.*
Griffiths: Most of my career has been spent on assignments tied to economic issues, and their impact on foreign policy. In Washington, I've worked on "country" desks, including the Soviet desk, which transitioned during my assignment to the Russia desk. I was head of the economic section of the desk and followed the economic consequences of the collapse of the Soviet Union, the economic policies of the new Russian government and their impact on U.S. economic interests. I've worked as well in functional assignments that follow specific economic issues globally. For example, before coming to Iceland, I was deputy assistant secretary of state for Finance and Development in the Economic and Business Affairs Bureau working on investment, debt and finance issues. Prior to that I was minister counselor for Economic Affairs at the U.S. Embassies in Seoul in 1995 and 1996 and in Moscow from 1993 to 1995.

There is no formal training, per se, aside from a two-week seminar for ambassador designees. However, an officer's assignments during a Foreign Service career build on the range of knowledge and experience to prepare for chief of mission responsibilities.

> *"During my years at Montclair State, I had no idea of joining the Foreign Service, but the excellent education I received gave me a broad world outlook"*
>
> Barbara Griffiths

Alumni Life: *What are your primary responsibilities?*
Griffiths: The list is long, but my primary responsibilities are to protect and advance America's vital interests, such as national security, economic, environmental and human rights objectives, to ensure the safety of the Embassy and its personnel, and to provide consular services to Americans traveling and living in Iceland.

Alumni Life: *Iceland is known to have a literacy rate of 100 percent, with literature and poetry being two passions of the population. In addition, per capita publication of books and magazines is the highest in the world. To what do you attribute the success in literacy and the people's love of reading?*
Griffiths: The power of words is strong in Iceland, and many scholars have argued that Icelanders define themselves and their culture through the Icelandic language. Iceland's great sagas of the 11th and 12th centuries were preceded by a strong oral tradition of poetry and story telling, and Icelanders today take great pride in these works, quote extensively from them, and continue to create poetry and literature in both ancient and modern traditions. The historical commitment to education in part reflects Icelanders' desire to be a part of this living culture, and today is reflected in Icelanders' ready grasp of modern technologies, plus Iceland's wish to be a part of global trends and developments.

Alumni Life: *What effect have the events of Sept. 11 had on Iceland and its people?*
Griffiths: The outpouring of sympathy and support for the United States has been strong from both the people and government of Iceland, and support for the struggle against terrorism has been unstinting from the government. Many Icelanders have ties to the United States through family, education, business or travel, and they were deeply shocked by the violence of Sept. 11 and loss of innocent lives.

Alumni Life: *What is your role should a crisis arise in Iceland?*
Griffiths: Our work on potential crises in Iceland has focused on natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions or floods. We

Rocky peaks in Oxnadalur, north-central Iceland.

work closely with the Icelandic officials to be prepared for events and to ensure the safety of Americans in Iceland. Iceland has excellent civil defense resources, and is well prepared to react to challenges from the harsh and unpredictable natural environment. Iceland prepares for more modern threats as well, and we continue to work with local authorities to ensure the best capabilities possible. Many Americans may not realize that Iceland is a charter member of NATO, and that, since 1951, the United States has had responsibility for the defense of Iceland. A NATO/ U.S. Naval Air Station at Keflavik has about 1,800 uniformed service members from the Navy, Air Force, Marines and Army, as well as representatives from several NATO countries.

Ambassador Griffiths with Icelandic children during a promotion of American products.
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Alumni Life: *What is it you would want Americans to know about Iceland?*
Griffiths: For most Americans, the wonders of Iceland are its people and its nature. Iceland is a modern society of only 285,000 people with a high standard of living, a full range of social services and a thriving culture. The country's wealth has traditionally been built on fishing and still today, fish accounts for over half of Iceland's goods and services exports. In recent decades information and medical technology, and research have grown as a percentage of economic activity and trade, helping to diversify the economy. In terms of nature, Iceland sits upon the North Atlantic Ridge defining the boundaries between the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates. It is one of the world's great hot spots in the literal sense, with volcanoes, earthquakes, bubbling mud pots, and extensive geothermal energy. This makes Iceland a world-class research location for geologists and other earth scientists, and an unusual and stunning tourist destination.

Alumni Life: *What services does the consulate provide to overseas citizens?*
Griffiths: The Consular Services of the Embassy are multifaceted and include maintaining a warden system to facilitate contact with American citizens resident in Iceland; providing welfare and whereabouts assistance for citizens believed to be in the area; checking on the welfare of American citizens hospitalized or incarcerated in Iceland; and providing information about medical and legal assistance available in Iceland. Documentary services (passport issuance, birth reports and death certificates) are also provided to American citizens, and non-U.S. citizens are provided immigrant and non-immigrant visa services. In addition to visa processing, there are the anti-fraud and training aspects of liaison with Iceland's immigration officials.

Alumni Life: *How has your education at Montclair State, particularly your study of economics, helped you in your career?*
Griffiths: My education at Montclair State was in the truest sense a passport to a satisfying and challenging career. During my years at Montclair State, I had no idea of joining the Foreign Service, but the excellent education I received gave me a broad world outlook and, combined with an M.A. in economics (from the University of Connecticut), the professional competence in economics to qualify for entry into the Foreign Service. I have always thought of my time at Montclair and later at the University of Connecticut as the best investment of my life.

Alumni Life: *We understand you speak several languages and are studying Icelandic. What has been the most challenging aspect about living in a different culture?*
Griffiths: Finding your way in a foreign culture is really only a question of keeping an open mind about the different ways other people have dealt with their reality. I am a firm believer in the American political and economic systems, but we can learn much from the experiences of others. The real challenge for me in the Foreign Service has been living away from my family, and missing the experience of seeing my nieces and nephews grow from day to day.

Alumni Life: *What is the length of your appointment, and what are your plans?*
Griffiths: An ambassadorial appointment is normally for three years, and I'm enjoying every minute. Next summer I hope to return to Washington for assignment, to be nearer to my family. I am in the process of bidding for a job now, and am confident that, as always in the Foreign Service, something interesting will come along.

Colorful houses in Reykjavik, the capital city of Iceland.

The scenic photographs of Iceland are by Ed Jackson, a professor in the Department of Earth and Atmospheric Sciences at the University of Alberta. More of his photos can be viewed at www.eas.ualberta.ca/elj/icepics/iceindex.htm.

Remembering September 11

After years of reporting the traffic, alumnus will never forget what he saw the morning of Sept. 11

Tom Kaminski '84 was an eyewitness to history when the Newsradio 880 traffic reporter watched the attack on the World Trade Center from a bird's eye view. The WCBS 880 helicopter was one of the first on the scene. It was a day Kaminski will never forget. The following is his first-hand account that appeared on the WCBS Web site shortly after the event.

We were at the George Washington Bridge and had just made a left turn to the south when I saw a flash and fireball from the top of the World Trade Center. My pilot thought he had seen a plane near the building and radioed to LaGuardia tower, "LaGuardia, did you just lose one?" and got no response. Due to the angle and altitude of our flight, I have sometimes experienced the optical illusion of something appearing to hit a building. Those images would change as soon as we changed position of the aircraft. This one didn't. The fireball quickly turned to a cloud of smoke. I thought, "If this turns out to be nothing, I'm never going to hear the end of it," but I'd never put anything on the air without some type of confirmation, so I had to call the newsroom.

I called frantically on our two-way radio. No answer. I learned later that everyone in the newsroom was at a south-facing window watching what I was looking at. It was 8:48 a.m., time for what would normally be my last traffic report of the morning and I was about to describe something that I hardly knew anything about. All I did know was that something had made Tower 1 look like it had been slit with a switchblade. I started my report by saying, "Something has happened to the World Trade Center" and described smoke and flames starting to pour out. As I spent the next several minutes on the air, my mind was spinning, trying to fill in the blanks: "The hole is 15 stories from the top... there are 80-plus stories below that. What time is it? How many people work in this building? Thousands, right? How the hell are these people at the top going to get out? How many of them were (hopefully) running late?"

Next, we flew directly in front of Tower 1, and confirmed that something had gone in from the north side of it. We then flew south to the Battery to see if whatever had hit it had gone out the other side. We saw heavy damage on the south side of Tower 1, but saw nothing of substance on the ground or on Tower 2, so we decided to go back north again, all the while just on the water's edge on the Manhattan side at about 900 feet. Ninety seconds after leaving the Battery, in the spot where we had just been looking, the second plane hit the second tower. We never saw the plane, but I could see the flash of the impact from behind us.

I never thought about terrorism until that moment, and as I was on the air describing the second blast, my clipboard started to shake in my hands, and my right leg, clamped down on the footswitch that "keyed" my broadcast radio, shook uncontrollably. We were able to stay another three or four minutes in that area when we were ordered to exit the airspace immediately. We needed fuel anyway, so we left the area and landed at Ridgefield Park. I kept up a running commentary on the air, describing the burning towers and wondering how many people were in there.

When I was growing up in Lodi, N.J., my dad and I would sometimes drive to Edgewater and watch the towers being built, excited to know that they would be the tallest buildings in the world. Having flown past them every day for 13 years, always admiring them, often looking at the people on the roof observation deck, it sickens me to think what it will look like from the air now.

I've been told by several people that I was the first person on the air with the story. I can't confirm that, but today a colleague called me "an eyewitness to history." Maybe in time I can say I'm proud of that distinction, but considering what this city is going through, I just wish I never had to see it at all.

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Remembering Khalid...*Members of the campus community joined the family of Khalid Shahid '99 for a memorial service Oct. 24 at the gazebo near the tennis courts. Shahid, a former Montclair State tennis player, was killed in the World Trade Center on Sept. 11. Shahid played for the Red Hawks from 1996 to 1999, and served as co-captain for one year. "He was the type of athlete who went to practice because he wanted to be there, not because he had to be there," said Brian McLaughlin of Athletics, who coached Shahid for one season. "He will not be forgotten." A plaque commemorating Shahid's life was unveiled and now hangs on the gazebo.*

Students plant trees in memory of WTC victims

Students in Professor Ben Schaffer's recreation facilities and recreation leadership classes, and members of the Recreation Club recently planted more than 40 white pine seedlings in front of Bohn Hall in memory of those lost in the Sept. 11 attack on the Twin Towers.

The students also installed a five-foot pole with the message, "May Peace Prevail on Earth" written in English, Japanese, French and German.

Schaffer said the activity gave students the opportunity to express their support for the victims of the terrorist attacks. "After the Sept. 11 incident we talked about what we can do as a class to help," said Schaffer, adding that community involvement is a regular part of his classes. The professor personally bought the three-year-old trees from the New Jersey State Forestry Department. The white pines can grow up to 50 feet.

Before planting the seedlings, the 25 students visited Liberty State Park where Josh Osowski '00, assistant superintendent of the park, led a tour. The students saw the New Jersey Trauma Center in action and viewed the memorial walls bearing messages to lost loved ones. The students chose names from the wall for whom to plant the trees.

"It was an experience seeing all the time and effort people had taken to post names and pictures on behalf of all the people missing," said senior Thomas Turner. Classmate Kristen Tobin, president of the Recreation Club, agreed. "These activities have made each of us feel that we can and should do something to help."

Turner said he and his classmates go to Bohn regularly to water the trees and check on their progress.

The students, however, did not stop with the tree plantings. In October they participated in a benefit march that raised $560 for the American Red Cross and St. Barnabas Burn Center, and they are now constructing a Pride in America Quilt. Each of the 36 nine-by-nine-inch squares will be created by a Montclair State student.

In Memoriam

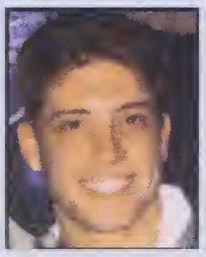
Montclair State University joins the nation in grieving for those lost in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks. Among them are members of the campus community who will forever remain in our hearts and never be forgotten.

Alumni

Jean DePalma '80, age 42. Jean was a certified public accountant for Marsh & McLennan. A resident of Newfoundland, she was a parishioner of St. Joseph R.C. Church in West Milford, where she was chair of the parish and its elementary school finance committee. After graduation, Jean kept in contact with the University as a recruiter for interns. "She was always willing to give me feedback about our students, " said Eileen Bruck of Career Development. "On a personal note, she was not only a committed professional, but a wonderful parent as well. She had a lot of heart." She leaves behind two children, Drew, 17, and Jamie, 16.

Dennis Taormina, Jr. '88, age 36. Dennis was a vice president at Marsh & McLennan. A resident of Montville for the past three years, Dennis was raised in East Rutherford where he served as a volunteer firefighter. He is survived by his wife, Diane and their daughters, Jenna, 5, and Meghan, 9.

Khalid Shahid '99, age 25. Khalid was an employee at Cantor Fitzgerald. A resident of Union, Khalid was engaged to be married in November and was planning to move to Mount Olive. A practicing Muslim, Khalid was a member of the men's tennis team from 1996 to 1999, and served as co-captain for one year. (See story on page 12.)



Robert (Bobby) Hughes '01, age 23. Bobby worked at Bank of America in the North Tower on the 83rd floor. Born in Jersey City, Bobby moved with his family to Sayreville when he was 1 year old. He was active in many sports, including baseball, and played for the varsity team at Sayreville War Memorial High School. He spent most of his summers during high school volunteering at a camp for children with brain injuries. Mike Syntscha, Bobby's roommate at Montclair State, said, "Bobby was a person who would do anything for anyone. His good nature and great sense of humor made everyone around him laugh." He is survived by his father, Robert Hughes Sr., his mother, Louise and his three sisters, Shanin, Leigha and Lyndsey.

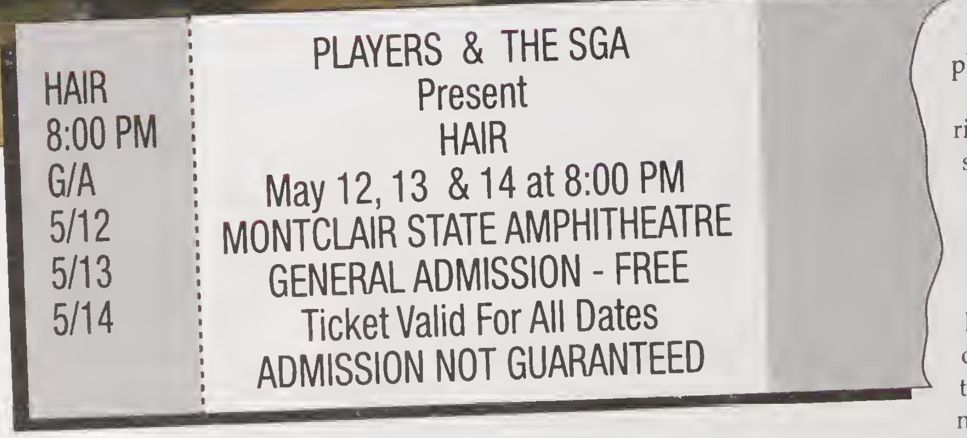
Student

Shari Kandell, 27, a part-time English major, was a trader at Cantor Fitzgerald. Shari came to Montclair State as a transfer student from Syracuse University. Friends and family gathered on Shari's birthday, Sept. 21, to remember the woman who touched so many lives. "We chose to have her memorial service on her birthday as a fitting celebration of her life," said her father, Jan. "The overwhelming and outstanding quality that Shari showed all her life was her total selflessness. She did for others and put others' needs before her own well being." She is survived by her parents, Jan and Bea, and a brother, Steven.

The families of Shari Kandell and Robert Hughes have established memorial scholarship funds in their loved ones' names. For more information about the scholarships or to contribute to the funds, call the Montclair State University Development Office at 973-655-4344.

Beads, flowers, freedom and happiness: One ex-hippie's memory of the amphitheater

By Gail Corrigan '95



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In May 1994, "a haggle of hippies" converged upon the quiet amphitheater at Montclair State University. They came to sing, dance and protest the Vietnam conflict, and make love, not war. These ambitious, young college students weren't stuck in a time warp; they were performing a free production of "Hair," presented by the Student Government Association and Players.

I had the privilege of being part of the 45-member "tribe," and it is hands down my fondest memory of the amphitheater. If you happened to be one of the 3,000 audience members who attended the three performances, you know it was quite a show. There's something special about performing in front of a live audience, outdoors, with planes flying overhead, a cool spring breeze blowing and the occasional ringing of the College Hall carillon. Audience members, dressed in tie-dye, wrapped in blankets and singing along to "Good Morning Sunshine," were also truly something to see from the stage.

Being outdoors gave a genuine earthy feel to the overall show and helped everyone jump into character. After an open casting call, and once rehearsals began, the show's director had a difficult time getting the cast to blend. Although many of us didn't know each other, we knew it was our job to create a communion to pull the show off. It wasn't an easy task. With most of us born after 1968, what did we know about burning draft cards or Timothy Leary? It took some time to understand why people were truly protesting the war, why people were expressing free love and why the hot topics of the day were love, war, sex and drugs. We all did our part to dedicate ourselves to "Hair," and to allow the audience to understand and take part in the experience as well. One cast member even tattooed the first bar of music on his arm. Talk about dedication!

Once the curtain (invisible in our case) comes down, most casts go their separate ways. I've never been in a show wit h such a special group of people where the cast and crew have remained so close. In fact, we couldn't even bear to part with each other. Cast parties lasted for years after the final curtain call, and some of the best friendships we established while rehearsing in J-126 of the Student Center or in the quad still exist today. Perhaps a "Hair" reunion party will be in the making.

What made the group unique is that we came from different disciplines including English, business, communications and psychology. We came together to express ourselves in song and dance because we loved the '60s, the music and, inevitably in the end, each other.

"Hair" was a groovy experience for everyone involved. It had been quite some time since a major production including a full stage and lighting was presented in the amphitheater.

I have fond memories of walking up the stairs and telling the crowd to "come to the be-in," hiding under a parachute while we all got "naked," shining our cars' headlights upon the stage during late-night rehearsals and not wanting the umpteenth *a cappella* verse of "Let the Sun Shine In" to ever end.

"Hair" holds a special place in my heart, but it was the amphitheater that made it most memorable. Although many of us have gone our separate ways, the memories we created at the amphitheater will keep us connected forever.

Spanning the University

CAMPUS NEWS

Fred Testa, second national vice president of UNICO, chats with Montclair State President Susan A. Cole at a College of Humanities and Social Sciences open house for UNICO members.

UNICO makes pledge to establish endowed chair

UNICO National, the largest Italian-American service organization in the United States, will join with Montclair State University in raising $1.25 million to establish an endowed chair in Italian and Italian-American Studies.

"Montclair State is honored by this distinction and is uniquely positioned to support an endowed chair in Italian and Italian-American Studies," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole. "The University already offers a major, minor and teaching certification in Italian, and these programs have grown steadily and have been enriched by our programming, such as our Summer Institute at the University of Siena and our Italian Film Festival.

"Thanks to the wonderful support offered by UNICO National, the addition of an endowed chair will support the continued growth in scholarship, education and community outreach," Cole added.

Joseph Coccia Jr., past national president of UNICO National and head of Italian Studies Chairs and Fellowships for the organization, said the endowed chair is an important factor in preserving an illustrious national heritage.

"By co-sponsoring Italian Studies chairs and fellowships throughout the United States, we believe UNICO National is continually renewing the spirit vital to maintaining the legacy of our rich heritage and culture," Coccia said.

Teacher training... When he was still the Democratic candidate, New Jersey Governor James McGreevey held a press conference on campus and spoke with education students, faculty and staff about his plan to improve teacher quality, including providing better training programs and incentives for new teachers. Pictured to McGreevey's left is Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services.

Richard Gigliotti, dean of Montclair State's College of Humanities and Social Sciences, outlined to delegates at UNICO National's annual convention in St. Louis the importance of such a chair for New Jersey higher education.

"UNICO National's decision to endow this chair in Italian-American Studies at Montclair State is indeed wonderful news," he said. "UNICO's support will enable the occupant of the endowed chair to fully integrate cutting-edge scholarship and top-level teaching in Italian-American Studies. Of equal importance, the professorship also will help to establish and maintain a public program of Italian-American Studies that will strengthen and solidify Montclair State's position as a center of dynamic programs in issues related to Italian-American culture.

"Through their generosity, the organization's leaders have again shown that UNICO stands for Unity, Neighborliness, Integrity, Charity and Opportunity to serve," Gigliotti added.

UNICO National, founded in 1922, numbers 6,000 members nationwide who work to support charitable, educational, scientific and literary projects while promoting Italian heritage and combating negative stereotyping.

A kick-off celebration for the fund-raising drive will be held Wednesday, Jan. 30, at Il Tulipano restaurant on Pompton Avenue in Cedar Grove. For more information, call Cynthia Barnes at 973-655-4344.

U.S. News and World Report ranks Montclair State on top

Montclair State University is ranked in the "Top Tier" among "Best Universities—Master's" in the North in *U.S. News & World Report's* 2002 college rankings.

"We are pleased that we are again ranked among the very best universities by *U.S. News and World Report*," said President Susan A. Cole. "It is satisfying to have national validation of our success, vitality and continued growth. Nevertheless, like many other college presidents, I don't necessarily feel that these rankings are the best indicators of a university's quality. If the data on which the report is based is well understood, then it can be useful to potential students and their families. But it's important to recognize that judging a university is far more complex than simply adding up a few numerical indicators.

"At Montclair State, we pride ourselves on providing a quality higher education at an

Spanning the University

Athletic director receives Garden State Award

Holly Gera, director of Intercollegiate Athletics, and Gregory L. Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement.

Holly Gera '79, Montclair State's director of Intercollegiate Athletics, received the Garden State Award presented by the Collegiate Athletic Administrators of New Jersey (CAANJ) at a recent luncheon.

The Award is given annually to an individual who has made substantial and enduring contributions to the development of intercollegiate athletics in the state. Gera is the second Montclair State administrator to be chosen for the award. Former Athletic Director William Dioguardi received the award in 1986.

"I'm touched and honored to be included in the company of past Garden State Award winners," Gera said at the ceremony. "From the first recipient, Dr. Mary Rice in 1984, to last year's awardee, Flo Labenski, the list represents a veritable history of college athletics in New Jersey. I respect and admire the past award winners for their dedication, loyalty and sense of service to intercollegiate athletics."

Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement, said, "Everyone at Montclair State knows what an excellent job Holly does in athletics, but it is always terrific when others in the state acknowledge the importance of her contributions as well. In this field, competition is a way of life. To be honored by New Jersey's finest is a distinction of significant proportions."

Gera is involved with many NCAA committees, including her nationally recognized work with softball, and is a strong advocate of physical education and women's awareness groups.

affordable cost. From our perspective, the best indicator of how successful we are is what our students tell us about the quality of the education we provide and the subsequent success of our graduates in their professions or in advanced study."

Montclair State is ranked sixth among public universities and 38th in the North among the 573 public and private institutions listed in the "Best Universities—Master's" category. *U.S. News* ranks the institutions in this category into four tiers.

MSU, which was previously ranked among "Regional Universities," was moved to the "Best Universities—Master's" category this year, along with hundreds of others.

Also, for the fifth straight year, Montclair State has been labeled an educational leader by *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education* magazine.

The University was selected as a "Publisher's Pick" in the magazine's Nov. 19 issue, and was cited as one of the "Top 100 Schools Graduating Hispanics" nationally, the fourth time the University has been so honored.

"Montclair State is proud of the diversity and cultural richness of our University community," said President Cole. "New Jersey's Hispanic community is growing rapidly, and we are proud to be an important and successful educational resource for this ambitious population."

Cole named to Governor's Transition Team

Montclair State President Susan A. Cole was named in November to the transition team of New Jersey Governor Jim McGreevey. Cole co-chaired the Higher Education transition committee along with Tom Kean, president of Drew University, Rev. Dr. William Howard, pastor of Bethany Baptist Church in Newark, and Joseph Doria, N.J. Assembly minority leader.

"These individuals have offered to give of their time and their wisdom to help us begin this important work," McGreevey said at the time of the appointments. "They bring decades of experience and a deep understanding of the complexities of the work before us. We are fortunate to have their help."

Pfizer 'adopts' MSU

Pfizer, Inc. has selected Montclair State University for its prestigious "Adopt a College" program to encourage more students

RED HAWK DINER

Let's eat!... Student Government Association President Jeannette Mammaro cuts the ceremonial ribbon at the grand opening of the Red Hawk Diner on Oct. 23. Also pictured, from left, are Little Falls Councilman Terry Ryan; Montclair Mayor Robert Russo; Harold Kullman of Kullman Industries, Inc., which built the diner; Assemblywoman Rose Heck; Montclair State President Susan A. Cole; Assemblyman Gerald Zecker; and Tim Smith of Sodexho Campus Services, which operates the diner.

Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business, accepts a check from alumna Dawn Adams-Harmon '85, district manager of Pfizer, to create a scholarship for students interested in careers in the pharmaceutical industry. At right is John McGinnis, chair of the Marketing Department.

to consider career opportunities in the pharmaceutical industry.

As part of its program, Pfizer will create a $2,000 scholarship, the Pfizer Sales and Marketing Award, at Montclair State. Two $1,000 tuition credits will be awarded annually to juniors and first-semester seniors who demonstrate significant potential for success in a pharmaceutical sales career.

"We are excited about our relationship with Pfizer," said John McGinnis, chair of the Marketing Department. "I think this award will encourage students to explore career opportunities in the pharmaceutical industry. Additionally, we feel this award recognizes the valuable contribution of Montclair State in providing top-notch graduates to our state's vital pharmaceutical industry."

McGinnis said the new relationship transcends dollars and cents. He noted that Dawn Adams-Harmon, district manager of Pfizer and a 1985 graduate of Montclair State, recently spoke for the second time in the Marketing Department's Sales Concepts and Practices class about the challenges of selling in the pharmaceutical industry.

"Having professionals like Dawn speak in our classes not only connects our students with the real world, but may lead to career opportunities after graduation," McGinnis said.

MSU receives HUD grant for community outreach program

Montclair State University been awarded a $399,010 grant by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to establish a Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC) in the township of Montclair.

Lawrence Thompson, HUD general deputy assistant secretary for Policy Development and Research, said the COPC grant will allow Montclair State to work with community organizations and residents in the Pine Street and Glenfield Park sections of Montclair. "Together, they will work on an ambitious effort to revitalize the neighborhood's physical and social infrastructure," he said. "Currently, a rail line fractures the neighborhood, and the project is intended to ameliorate some of the problems caused by it."

Montclair State President Susan A. Cole said the University and the township of Montclair are connected in several ways. "The vitality of both can be significantly enhanced by the activities that will be supported by the HUD grant," she said. "Many members of the University, community and government worked together to make this new partnership a reality, and I am especially grateful to Sen. Robert Torricelli and reps. William Pascrell and Donald Payne, who provided strong support for the project."

Along with community organizations and residents, four MSU project coordinators — under the direction of Freyda Lazarus, director of the University's Center for Community Based Learning—will manage partnership activities: Community Organizing, Jerry Kloby, coordinator of the Institute for Community Studies; Housing, Brigid Harrison of Political Science; Education, David Keiser of Curriculum and Teaching; and Digital Divide, Joan Mahoney of Information and Decision Sciences.

The COPC Executive Committee includes Lazarus; Richard Gigliotti, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences; Kenneth Brook of Anthropology; Tony Lazroe of Education and Human Services; and Karen Kadus, director of Planning and Community Development for the township of Montclair.

Primary community project partners include the Township of Montclair, Home Corporation, the Montclair Board of Education, Montclair Child Development Corporation, Montclair Neighborhood Development Center, Mt. Carmel Church, Day Nurseries, The United Way/TEAM, and the Housing and Community Development Network of New Jersey.

"Colleges and universities help to define the communities that surround them," Torricelli said. "With this grant, Montclair State will have the opportunity to make a tremendous positive impact on the Pine Street and Glenfield Park area, and also serve as a model for other institutions across the state. I look forward to visiting the area to see firsthand the

Analyze this... After two years of writing proposals to the National Science Foundation (NSF) for a grant to fund an ICP (Inductively Coupled Plasma) machine, the instrument described as the "bread and butter" in inorganic chemical analysis has arrived. The ICP machine, according to Matthew Gorring of Earth and Environmental Science, pictured, can analyze the liquid forms of rock, water and soil, and can even analyze air samples. It is a valuable asset in research and teaching.

work that this funding will enable."

Pascrell lauded the University's commitment to community. "Montclair State is an institution committed to making its community a better place, and these new dollars will go a long way toward achieving that goal," he said. "Higher learning is not just about books and exams, it is about sharing expertise and rolling up your sleeves to make a difference for others. That's exactly what will happen through the new Community Outreach Partnership Center."

Tenth District Congressman Donald Payne, who serves on the House Committee on Education and the Workforce, pledged his continued support for community outreach efforts in Montclair. "This HUD funding will strengthen the Montclair community and enable us to move forward with an ambitious economic revitalization plan," Payne said. "I look forward to working with Montclair State University and the local community to meet this goal."

Montclair Township Mayor Robert Russo said, "Montclair is fortunate to be a subject of a positive collaboration with Montclair State University through the announcement of the COPC grant award of $339,010."

HUD makes grants under the COPC program to institutions of higher education to help them form centers for applied research and outreach to communities and neighborhoods.

With support from Russo and Councilman Charles Smith, an 18-person campus community advisory committee identified three major needs of the neighborhood: education, community organizing and housing.

In the COPC program, these needs will be addressed by:

- Creating a Neighborhood Geographic Information System and completing an asset-mapping project to identify the strengths of the neighborhood.
- Conducting voter registration drives;
- Developing an afterschool tutoring program to serve as a "safe haven";
- Working with local financial institutions, conducting first-time homebuyer seminars;
- Creating a multi-generational Computer Learning Center; and
- Implementing a community heritage project to increase local pride through documenting and expanding awareness of local history.

"The program calls for extensive student and faculty involvement, and demonstrates the strong commitment Montclair State has to its local community," Thompson said.

Student SCOREs scholarship... Lee Wasserman (left) of the Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) presents a $1,000 scholarship and a plaque to Jon-Paul Sepulveres, a business major concentrating in management information systems. At right is Alan Oppenheim, dean of the School of Business. SCORE, a statewide business counseling service, provides free counseling for new and existing businesses at 35 offices statewide. SCORE has been providing the scholarship for several years to a full-time Montclair State student residing in New Jersey who has a 3.5 grade point average or better and is interested in expanding and improving the atmosphere of the business community.

ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni Association hosts appreciation luncheon

On a beautiful autumn Sunday afternoon, the Alumni Association hosted a luncheon to thank those who have given so generously to the Association during the past year. Contributions from members provide financial support to many of the Associations programs including scholarships for undergraduate and graduate students, the Legacy Scholarship, the restoration of amphitheater on campus, Alumni Green and much more.

Dolores Hrobak Pinski '49 '52 M.A., Francis X. Sutman '49 '52 M.A. and Mabel Sutman

Kathy Hurling and Gwenyth Hill Hurling '69 M.A.

Robert Zschack '58 and Marlene Jaorsky Zschack '58

Alum gives theater majors the gift of Shakespeare

Senior theater majors Vanessa Goonan and Giselle Rodriguez couldn't believe they were given free tickets to "Romeo and Juliet" at the well-known McCarter Theatre in Princeton.

Rodriguez said it was the best play she had ever seen, and Goonan, who had never been to an onstage production of the Shakespearean classic, said the experience was an opportunity to study her craft.

"As a theater major I like to see plays for more than solely the entertainment value," she said.

The tickets were a gift from alumnus Richard Kelly '67, who enjoyed the theater so much as an undergraduate that he wanted to share the experience. "It was the best theater I had seen, besides Broadway, performed for a small audience in a relaxed, elegant atmosphere," he said.

Kelly donated two tickets to a series of five plays in the theater's 2001-02 season—"Romeo and Juliet," "The Vienna Notes," "All Over," "Don Juan" and a new play not yet selected.

"It allows students to go beyond general education and experience theater culture in a setting I know is of exceptional quality," he said.

Eric Diamond, chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance, is grateful to Kelly for his generosity. "The department is lucky to have alumni like Mr. Kelly," he said.

Two other friends of the University, Josh Weston and Joe Laraja, also have provided tickets to theater and opera events to students in other disciplines.

Diamond chooses students based on academic performance and financial need. "Vanessa and Giselle are excellent students and talented actresses who I thought would benefit from the experience at McCarter," Diamond said.

After seeing "Romeo and Juliet," Rodriguez said she has become more interested in production. "It was wonderful to see the play at this point in my college career," she said. "I was already interested in dabbling in directing. Now after going to the McCarter Theatre, I want to learn more about it." Goonan recited a Juliet monologue for class after seeing the character's performance at McCarter. "The actress made the character come to life for me," she explained. "After witnessing acting of that caliber, I am striving to better myself both as a student and as an actress."

Both students are thankful to Kelly for making the experience possible for them and other students. "I think it was a great idea," Goonan said. "I would like do the same one day for other students."

–Shanelle Davis '02

Lather up

Graduate student Michele Samarya-Timm '99 B.A. admits there are those who consider her "a bit paranoid" when it comes to cleanliness. She counters, however, that her preoccupation is predicated on a health education background that has focused on food safety.

The consumer concern Samarya-Timm refers to as her passion got some healthy recognition in March when she won the gold medal in the world's only international hand-washing competition.

Sponsored by Kimberly-Clark during a Food Safety Summit in Washington, D.C. attended by more than 1,300 people, the event drew industry professionals who competed to see how well they could remove doses of artificial germs from their hands. Upon completion, hands were inspected under UV light and judges scored each hand wash from one to 100. Samarya-Timm scored a perfect germ-free 100.

A health inspector for Franklin Township in Somerset County, Samarya-Timm says she does a lot of one-on-one training in her job.

"The problem of contamination is a growing one," she said. "Even though people are more aware than they once were of the risk of salmonella and other forms of food poisoning, we have to be concerned about the safety of the food we eat. Consumers need to know there is danger lurking in food—from farm to table."

The hand-washing champion visits fast food restaurants to talk with employees and customers about misconceptions that could lead to health risks. "Many people wash their hands routinely and neglect important hazards, such as dirt that clings to the crevices around rings, under fingernails or between fingers," she explained. "We need more public education to alert people about risks."

The Food Safety Summit, featuring keynoter U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Ann Venneman, included more than 100 exhibiting companies demonstrating technologies to detect e-coli, salmonella, listeria and other microbes, as well as methods of cleaning, sanitizing and pasteurizing through steam systems, ozone devices and food irradiation.

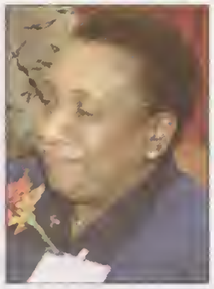
"Understandably, many people reacted as if the competition were frivolous," Samarya-Timm said. "But that's OK because it gave me an opportunity to promote the importance of cleanliness to food safety. I did a number of radio interviews after getting the award and I found that once people are informed of the risks, they become interested in what they can do to avoid them."

Spanning the University

New members welcomed to the Alumni Board

At the annual meeting in May, the Association installed three new members on the Board—James Andreano '74, Cecily A. Morgan '98 and Dave Wertheim '79.

Andreano is vice president of project management for Prudential Financial. He is married and has three sons. The youngest is approaching college age and will certainly be encouraged to consider Montclair State.



Morgan teaches reading at Montclair High School and encourages her students to consider Montclair State for their higher education experience. She and her husband have one grown son.

Wertheim is vice president, general counsel with Ferrari North America, Inc. He met his wife, Barbara, at Montclair State. They have three children.

Vote Now for Alumni Association Executive Board

The annual meeting of the Montclair State University Alumni Association will be held during Alumni Weekend, Saturday, May 4. In accordance with the MSUAA bylaws, Article VII, balloting for officers and other members shall be by mail. All active members (those who have contributed to the Annual Fund since July 1, 2001) are eligible to vote. Officers of the Association are elected for a two-year term. Members at large are elected for a three-year term.

Please complete the following ballot and return it to:
Montclair State University Alumni Association
34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

Ballots must be postmarked by March 15, 2002.

Officers

☐ President, Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
☐ Executive Vice President, Frank Alvarez '76
☐ Treasurer, Vivian Lalumia '86
☐ Secretary, Valerie Winslow '95 '99 M.A.

Members at Large

☐ Norman Eckstein '98
☐ Ann Funicelli '98
☐ Michael Gabriele '75
☐ Craig Hamilton '81
☐ Dave Handal '88
☐ Fr. Art Humphrey '95 M.A.
☐ Trina Chance-O'Gorman '01 M.A.
☐ Donna Teel-Drake '80
☐ Syd Salt '51 '52 M.A.
☐ **Check to vote for this entire slate.**

Write-in vote: ______________________________

Name: ______________________ Graduation Year: ________

Signature: ______________________________

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141, or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.shtml.

Feb. 15: Deadline for alumni citation awards
February: Online event
April: MSUAA Scholarship Reception
May: Alumni Weekend, Superintendents Breakfast, Senior Send-Off, Class of 1952 Anniversary Breakfast, Commencement
June: Summer Splash
July: Baseball outing

Corrections to Honor Roll of Donors

The Fall 2001 issue of Alumni Life listed the Honor Roll of Donors for FY01. Although every effort is made to properly list and thank our donors, a few inadvertent errors were made. The following are corrections to the Honor Roll. We apologize for the errors.

Banner Club
($1,000-$4,999)
Norman Eckstein '98

Bell Tower Club
($500-$999)
T. Donald Cairns '61

La Campanilla Club
($250-$499)
James C. McGilvray '40

Century Club
($100-$249)
Karl L. Custer '55 '60 M.A.
Marion Scraver Gibba '40
Gwyneth H. Hurling '69 M.A.
Dorothy E. Meyers '51
Cheryl Kopytcienski Williver '95
Elizabeth Einsiedler Yeary '60 '66 M.A.

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THAT'S LIFE

Compiled by Perry Jones '99

Send information for "That's Life" to Montclair State University, Office of Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Be sure to include a telephone number for verification.

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In the last issue of *Alumni Life*, we noted that **Jay Scovronek** recently retired from the Burroughs Corporation. Scovronek was kind enough to inform us that although he did retire, it was in 1983. We apologize for the error.

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Nel Noddings, a former professor at Stanford University, has returned to Woodbury, N.J. for a reunion with students in the West End Experiment. From 1950-53 Noddings taught the same students for three consecutive years, from 6th through 8th grade due to a classroom shortage. It became known as the West End Experiment.

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Leonard Blessing, a representative of the National Association of Biology Teachers, was elected to the Executive Council of the International Committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

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Richard Taylor had his first novel, *Bayonne Boy Drowns*, published by 1st Books Library. He resides in Boca Raton, Fla.

Robert Zschack was honored by the Clifton Education Foundation for his 38 years of service to the Clifton school system. "Bob Zschack's lifetime of service has inspired schools, campus and the government to bestow numerous awards upon him," the program read. In 1960, he was selected as one of the 10 outstanding biology teachers in New Jersey by Montclair State science faculty and in 1990 he received a Governor's Teaching Recognition Award.

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In the last issue of *Alumni Life*, we erroneously noted that **John Riordan** became staff head of the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) after 20 years with the company. Riordan, in fact, recently stepped down as president and CEO of ICSC after 20 years. He continues to serve the company as vice chairman. He also serves as chairman of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's Center for Real Estate in Cambridge. We apologize for the error.

Donald Otis wrote an article, "KIROV: Russian Guided Missile Cruiser," that appeared in *Seaways Ships in Scale*.

Ronald J. Frederick M.A. celebrated his retirement at a dinner held in his honor at the Indian Trail Club in Franklin Lakes. He had been in education 45 years.

Aaron P. Braverman M.A., since his retirement from the Paterson school system in 1997, has been an adjunct history instructor and supervises student teachers at William Paterson University. He was installed as commander of Wayne Post 695 Jewish War Veterans.

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Leo Primiano retired from Montclair State after 25 years. He served as chair of the Department of Accounting, Law and Taxation, and was granted professor emeritus status in June. Primiano also is a member of the Montclair State Alumni Association Executive Board.

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Richard Hodson M.A., mayor of Hopatcong and retired physics professor, was appointed to the Lake Hopatcong Commission. The agency's function is to better manage New Jersey's largest lake.

Helen Hemko Golan won a gold medal in the National Senior Games in Baton Rouge for the 50-yard backstroke. Her time was 43.08. She also won the silver in the 100-yard backstroke.

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Karin Rupp '70 M.A. was elected to the Board of Directors of Contact We Care, a 24-hour telephone crisis hotline.

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Pat Liebig retired from Sparta High School after 29 years of service.

65

Samuel Louis Turner Sr., a teacher at Hightstown High School, was ordained as a pastor of the New Jerusalem Christian Church.

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John Colagrande M.A. co-authored *In the Presence of Dinosaurs*. He is recently retired from teaching science at Union High School.

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Ray Rotolo has been named vice president for Sales-East at IFILM, the Internet Movie Guide.

Michael J. Sullivan '73 M.A. was ordained a deacon. He serves at the St. Jude Parish in Blairstown.

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Robert J. Boland was appointed a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation. He is also a member of the Monmouth County Bar, New Jersey Defense Association and the Trial Attorneys of New Jersey.

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Giacomo "Jack" Oliva '75 M.A. has been named dean of the College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Florida.

Michael Smanko founded PRISM Production Services LLC, a full-service stage and prop rental and fabrication shop in Rahway. The firm services Broadway, television and the film Industry.

Kathleen Cammarata was one of four artists to receive $2,500 under the Worcester Cultural Commission's new Creative and Performing Arts Fellowship grant. She won a prize at the ARTSWorcester Biennial Exhibition for a monotype, and opened a solo exhibition at the ARTSWorcester satellite gallery at Quinsigamond Community College.

Joyce J. Maehrlein Valenza '83 M.A. was appointed superintendent of schools in Lincoln Park.

Julius J. Wargacki has been named principal of West Morris Mendham High School.

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Walter Miller M.A., a 14-year member of the Pasadena Tournament of Roses, coordinated the guest luncheon for the Rose Bowl National Championship game for collegiate football in January 2001.

Nancy Happle Jorgenson was appointed assistant superintendent for human resources at the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Educational Services in Rye Brook, N.Y.

M. Priscilla Garibaldi Church is the new principal at Deerfield Elementary School in Mountainside.

73

Carol Martin Young, senior performance analyst at DB2 Data Management Software IBM Software Group, authored "Exploring IBM e-business Software."

74

Joseph Leicht was named Bergen County Softball Coach of the Year. He is a mathematics teacher and assistant football coach at Indian Hills High School in Oakland.

Susanna Lippoczy Rich received the 2001 Kean University Presidential Excellence Award for Distinguished Teaching. The fourth edition of her text, *The Flexible Writer*, is due for release in 2002 by Longman/Allyn & Bacon.

Lise Greene '81 M.A. earned a Ph.D. in higher education administration from New York University. She is executive assistant to the president at Montclair State University.

Phyllis I. Tortu-Sliwecki M.A., a world language teacher at West Deptford High School, was honored for 25 years of service in the West Deptford school system.

75

Diane Falk Romaine is chair of the Music Department at William Paterson University. She serves as a member of the Board of Directors of the New Jersey Music Educators Association.

Basia Jaworski M.A. has been named director of Morris Conservatory for its primary (grades 1 and 2) and junior (grades 3 and 4) choruses. She teaches music in the elementary school in Pequannock.

Paul Pignatello is supervisor of physical education, health and athletics for the Holmdel school district.

Jeff Torborg M.A. has been named manager of the Montreal Expos.

76

Egidio "Ed" G. Robertiello joined Blackstone Alternative Asset Management as managing director within its manager selection team. Blackstone is a leading hedge fund overseeing $2.3 billion in funds.

Linda Fey Geran M.A. was chosen by the Holmdel school district as director of Student Personnel Services.

Martin Van Treuren played both the nursemaid and the general in a production of "Pirates of Penzance" at South Street Seaport in New York.

77

Karen Melici Palmiero authored, *90 Ways to Keep Your Kids Drug Free*, a self-published book being sold as a fund raiser by Roselle Park's Community Alliance Against Substance Abuse.

Barbara P. Peda, senior vice president of business services for AT&T, was elected to the board of directors of the Independent College Fund of New Jersey.

78

Jennifer Reed Bakker earned a doctor of medicine degree from Jefferson Medical College, Thomas Jefferson University, in Philadelphia.

Marianne Charavan Mejewski, director of Catholic Charities, has taken over as head of the department of Catholic Social Services.

Carol Blazejowski, manager of the Liberty women's basketball team, led the team to a third best ranking in the league at 21-11.

Glenn J. Commandini celebrated his 15th year of service at the Most Holy Rosary Parish of Perth Amboy.

Susan Speidel, singer, actress, director and director of education at Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn, appeared in a cabaret show at Judy's Chelsea.

79

Helane Becker-Roukas was among the top five in the *Wall Street Journal's* annual poll for Wall Street's best analysts. She achieved this recognition in the category of Best Stock Picking for the airlines industry and industrial transportation.

Peter M. Sim, senior manager at KPMG LLP, teaches fundamentals of foreign national taxation to newly hired tax professionals.

Eileen Raps Winkler was assistant producer for "Miss Lizzie Borden Invites You to Tea," an off-off Broadway production.

Sheila Riley-Massa is activity director for Monroe Village, an affiliate of Presbyterian Homes and Services Inc., a nonprofit, nonsectarian retirement housing provider.

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Joe Alessi is vice president of Heat Wagons Inc., in Indiana.

Steve Kaplan, music teacher and marching band director at Ewing High School, was named co-musical director of the Monday Blues Jazz Band.

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Nancy Benson Georgette '98 M.A. was appointed vice principal of Woodrow Wilson School in Elizabeth.

Mark Bippes M.A. spent 17 months with Habitat for Humanity as construction manager in several North Carolina towns that were devastated by Hurricane Floyd in 1999. He is construction manager for Habitat for Humanity in Morristown.

Christy Morford M.A. was among several special needs teachers being honored by Spring Lake High School in connection with Special Education Week. She has been a teacher at Spring Lake for five years.

82

Gary Thomson has been named New York state manager for Select Brands Eastern Division at Brown-Forman Beverages Worldwide.

James J. Harold is Ingrian Networks' vice president of worldwide sales. The company specializes in secure content networking.

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Julie D'Aloia has been made senior vice president and secretary for Union Center National Bank.

Stephen J. D'Angelo has been named president of Americas of Industri-Matematik International Corp.

Al Lepeau has become vice president of business development at esavio, an enterprise solutions and managed services provider.

84

Rosanne Passafaro Scriffignano won the APEX 2001 Award of Excellence for a manual she wrote. The competition recognizes outstanding graphic design, editorial content and overall communications effectiveness and excellence.

Paul Rowe, author of the treatise, "New Jersey Business Litigation," and co-author of the standard textbook for chancery litigation in New Jersey, *Guidebook to Chancery Practice in New Jersey*, was inducted into the International Academy of Trial Lawyers.

85

Vijay C. Tharani joined the firm of Baldwin Technology Co. as vice president, CFO and treasurer.

Steve Contino has started his own business, Ea$yDraft.

Craig Scott Brown Sr. was named pastor of Bethany Baptist Church in Jamaica, Queens. Brown formerly led a congregation in Chicago.

George Notte is the New Jersey division vice president of customer satisfaction for Your Home Direct (YHD) Realty.

Chris Hardin was named vice president, direct retail operations, e-commerce division of Brookshire Grocery Company.

86

Carmen D'Ascendis, after nine years of service for Brown-Forman Beverages Worldwide, was appointed regional director, Australia/New Zealand. He worked for the company in the United States, London and Germany.

Irene Grasman Monteleone is the name behind St. Rose of Lima Acadamy's new childhood center, the Miss Irene Early Childhood Center Hall. She has been at St. Rose for 15 years.

87

Reynold Scott Forman was a recipient of the Governor's Award for Teaching, 2000-2001. He is employed at Colts Neck High School.

Roy De Young was made a partner and director of business development, Western Region, for Temel Internet & Marketing Solutions in Boonton.

Linda Mercurio Regan, a professor of law and taxation at Seton Hall Law School, was appointed legal director in the public trust group at Rosenfarb Winters in Roseland.

88

Kevin L. Bryla became vice president of communications for Ciba Specialty Chemicals in Tarrytown, N.Y., and is executive director of the Ciba Foundation.

James Feeney

James Feeney M.F.A. received a 2001 King's College (Wilkes-Barre, Pa.) Alumni Award. He received the Service to Society Award, which recognizes selfless and caring personal commitment to others. Vice president at Ridgewood Savings Bank, Feeney is an advocate for affordable housing units in an area that favors higher income housing developments. He received the Rotary Youth Leadership Award and is the coordinator for the Ridgewood Rotary Club.

Michele Samarya-Tim '01 M.A. was appointed to the Centers for Disease Control Food Safe Schools Initiative Technical Committee. (See related story on page 19.)

90

Danielle Dehrlich opened Westy's Gymnastics in Hardyston. The center offers classes for tots through high school and instruction for recreational and competitive gymnastics.

91

Donna Saykanic M.A. received a Papal blessing from Pope John Paul II for her philanthropic and educational efforts. A librarian, she volunteers for the Random Acts of Kindness Foundation.

92

Scott Derco was promoted to manager at Sax Macy Fromm & Co., PC. His article, "The Benefits and Pitfalls of the Joint Venture," was published in the *Journal of Construction Accounting and Taxation*.

Angelo Christiano M.A., a teacher of fine arts and painter of surrealism, had his work exhibited at Frenchie the Barber, an old-time barbershop in Montclair.

Benjamin Grieco M.A. resigned from his position as head teacher at Ridgedale Middle School to become assistant principal at Sparta Middle School in Sussex County.

Celine Kerwin M.A. has become principal of St. Catherine of Siena School in Cedar Grove.

Ken Knops M.A. was picked by the Morris Plains Board of Education as superintendent of schools. He also serves as principal of the Mountain Way School.

93

David Schoenbaum was one of six doctors to join Hunterdon Medical Center's Family Practice Residency. Residents train for three years at the facility.

Felicia M. Di Martino Di Rocco has been promoted to assistant vice president of marketing and business development at First Atlantic Federal Credit Union, West Long Branch.

94

Robert Stomber is a physical education teacher at the Forest Avenue School in Glen Ridge.

95

Sibila Dubac M.A. is district guidance counselor and substance abuse coordinator in Hanover Park.

97

Brian A. Pitoniak has taken a position as a teacher of economics, legal and political systems, and United States history at Harding University High School in Charlotte, N.C.

Joseph Ranieri was accepted for an internship with the pro bono Innocence Project. The mission of the project is to exonerate individuals wrongly convicted and sentenced to death.

Angela Linford took a position with the Hampton Public Schools as technology teacher/technician.

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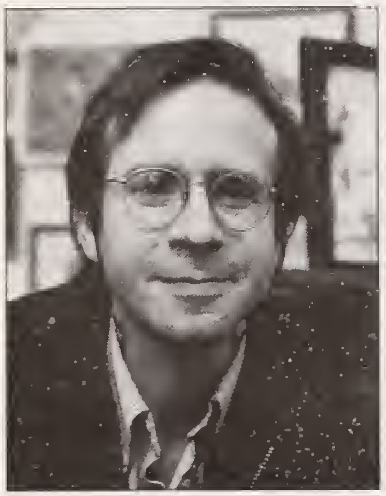
Michael Dowling M.A. announced he would run for sheriff of Red Bank.

Dan Kenowith passed the state exam that qualifies him as a licensed petroleum distillate transfer agent.

THAT'S LIFE


William Kuntz

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William Kuntz M.A. had an exhibit of pen and ink compositions and photographs on display at the Hamilton House Museum in Clifton. The show, titled "Sound Made Visible," included the piece "Tears for 5000," depicting the World Trade Center tragedy. Kuntz also gave a lecture that included the playing of digitally mastered music via computer to show how music plays a key role in the artist's creative process.

01

Jeffery Anthony DeChellis, a Paramedic working out of Overlook Hospital in Middlesex, received the 2001 Award for Humanistic Patient Care. The award was presented by The Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey.

Nina Garcia was appointed assistant vice president of Valley National Bank in Wayne.

Engagements

Peter Bakaletz '89 to **Dolly Almodovar '94**

Diana Gentile '79 to Gerard Occhiuzzi.

John Laino '96 to Jennifer Wurts

Robert Jerez '96 to Vanessa Yorke

Courtney Shaw '00 to Michael F. Eidel

Marriages

Robert M. Whitaker '94 and Courtney Maggio on June 16, 2001

Kathy Cleckner '97 and **Joe Lundari '99** on Oct. 14, 2001

Allison Korn '96 and Christopher Pini in August 2001

Kevin Allen '81 and **Kathleen McDonough '89**

Elizabeth Anne Stuehler '97 and **Michael Krawczuk '97** in September 2001

Herbert K. Kemp '92 and Tamara C. Mitchel

Michelle Lynn Merowchak '95 and Christopher M. Higgins on July 15, 2001

Charlene Kay Evans '84 and Anthony Lee Nobles on July 9, 2001

David Michael Oates '93 to Anne Katherine Garrison on Oct. 14, 2000

Births

To **Eugene Galdi '88** and his wife, Lisa, a girl, Krista, on Oct. 2, 2000

To **Scott Ammaturo '92** and **Caren Brenner '93** a son, Patrick Robert, on Sept. 25, 2001

To **Michelle Nodler Tafler '94** and her husband, Barry, a daughter, Madeline Danielle, on April 12, 2001

To **Margaret Mary Rickhauser Wall '88** and her husband Orivs, a son, Daniel Shannon

To **Howard "Chip" Hyde '90** and his wife Theresa, a son, Darren Patrick, on April 24, 2001

To **Lisa Schneider Pacifico '94** and her husband, John, a daughter, Jacqueline Ann, on June 4, 2001

To **Kevin Bryla '88** and his wife, Maryann, a daughter, Fiona Lee

To **Tracy A. Barrelli Lucey '90** and her husband, **Marc S. Lucey '94**, a son, Gregory James, on July 4, 2001

To **Eugene McGlynn '89** and **Donna Marie Desanti '90**, twins, Josie and Collin, on Oct. 27, 2000. They join two brothers, Eugene Jr., age 6, and Drew, age 3.

In Memoriam

Edna McFadden '28
Ethel Cully Wafle '28
Alice E. Zneimer Beebe '29
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Elizabeth Woods Hodges '29
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Marian S. Lindman '35
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Gloria Gonzalez Gifford '42
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She's no fool

Denise Simone '81 has a suggestion for those who want a successful career in theater. "Follow your own heart's journey and resist defining yourself on a commercial level. Begin to define yourself in relation to the work. I'd encourage young actors to look at smaller, vibrant arts communities throughout the country."

Simone speaks from experience. After 10 years as a free-lance actor, she built a vibrant creative life with Company of Fools (www.companyoffools.org), a professional, nonprofit theater company in Hailey, Idaho. There she is associate artistic director, while husband Rusty Wilson, who started the company in Richmond, Va. in 1992, serves as artistic director.

In addition to serving local audiences, Company of Fools has attracted a following among the 80,000 winter and 100,000 summer visitors to this tourist destination just 11 miles from Sun Valley.

With a full-time staff of six, the group stages productions in the Liberty Theater, a former movie house seating 260. "We were very fortunate that two of our board members owned the building."

Those board members are Bruce Willis and Demi Moore. Willis and Simone met as students at Montclair State. Willis occasionally takes to the Liberty Theater stage as he did in July with their production of "True West."

The core group has been together five years and shares a commitment to developing and sustaining a company of theater artists who focus on works that deal with "the human heart in conflict with itself."

Besides the spiritual and aesthetic benefits of regional theater, Simone says there are practical reasons for aspiring theater professionals to consider looking beyond Broadway and Hollywood.

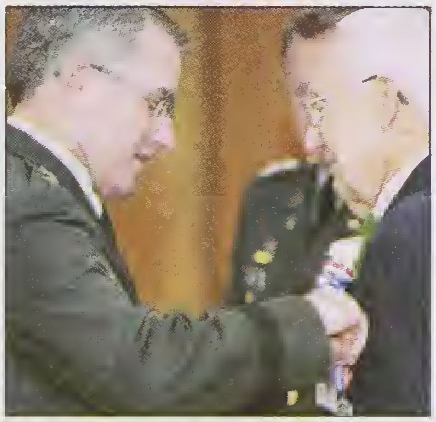
"Every place holds unlimited possibilities," said Simone, who is also a playwright. "I have been given the gift of teaching. In the end, it's not about reaching a destination. It's all about the journey."

Homecoming 2001

Back in time

The rain did not dampen the festivities at the Oct. 6 Homecoming. The day began with the Alumni Association's traditional judges' breakfast for the Grand Marshal and the parade judges. This year's grand marshals were Miss New Jersey, alumna Julie Barber '00, and University police officers Paul Giardino and Chris Vidro, who assisted at Ground Zero in New York on Sept. 11.

Pictured clockwise from top: A group of Montclair State alumni who served in the armed forces were honored during Homecoming at a special event for veterans. Pictured in the middle row with the honored veterans are Gregory Waters, vice president for Institutional Advancement (left); President Susan A. Cole (second from right) and Alumni Association President Margaret Hait (right). Cole chats with the Schlett family (from left) freshman, Niki, and mom, Gayle, and Peter Lynch during the Homecoming Parents Coffee. Homecoming judges pose with Miss New Jersey before heading out to the parade. Grand marshals Vidro (left), Giardino (right) and Barber. The inclement weather didn't dampen the spirit of these float builders. Major General Paul J. Glazar '68 '72 M.A., adjutant general of the State of New Jersey, pins a State of New Jersey Distinguished Service Medal on James McGilvray '41, former president of the Alumni Associaiton, during a special ceremony honoring alumni who have served in the armed forces.



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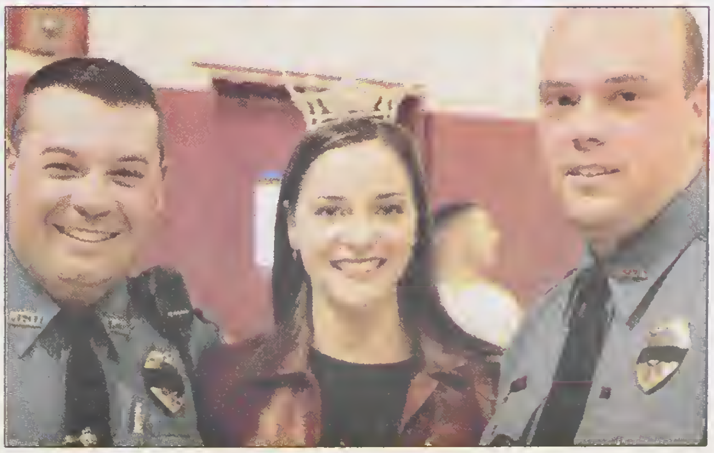

Theater named in honor of L. Howard Fox

Amy Fox (second from left) daughter of L. Howard Fox, with other members of the Fox family at the dedication ceremony.

The former Studio Theatre officially became the L. Howard Fox Studio Theatre at a dedication ceremony Nov. 16. Nearly 100 people attended the ceremony, including Fox's three daughters, Cynthia, Deborah and Amy.

Fox was founding chair of the Department of Speech and Theatre. Eric Diamond, chair of Theatre and Dance, said Fox had a deep devotion and loyalty to his students. "He had a great passion for theater, but an even greater passion for teaching," Diamond said.

The theater, which has 100 fixed seats and room for an additional 100 flexible seats, recently was renovated thanks to the generosity of faculty, alumni, friends and the Laraja Foundation. The renovations include new carpeting, seating, a new roof, and state-of-the-art lighting and sound systems.

Following the dedication ceremony, attendees enjoyed a performance of "Hotel Paradiso," directed by alumnus John Wooten '90, who later that evening received the L. Howard Fox Alumni Award.

"Howard Fox made such an impact in so many ways," said Wooten, artistic director for TheatreFest. "To be recognized on the same night that we celebrated his life is certainly an honor."

Wooten has written five full-length plays and five one-acts, and has directed more than 15 plays. He has received a New Jersey Council on the Arts Fellowship for playwriting and he won the Lime-Kiln National Playwriting Contest in 1997. In 1998 he was nominated for an American Critics Association New Play Award.

Networking at the networks

BY PERRY JONES '00

On and off the air, Montclair State students are getting hands-on experience at major broadcasting companies, from NBC and MSNBC to Fox Network and ABC. But before they get a foot in the door, these students must compete against hundreds of other applicants for positions they hope will help launch a successful career in television.

Patricia Piroh, a producer/director in the Broadcasting Department, said in addition to being skilled, students must display enthusiasm and passion, and know how to network. And it's no accident that students networking in radio and television are likely to meet professionals who got their start at Montclair State.

"Our broadcasting alumni who are in position to hire call us first," Piroh explained. "They know the caliber of our program and our students. When a company gets someone they really like, and that person gets promoted, the company says, 'Get me somebody just like you.' That's when our graduates call and say they need somebody who's been through our program."

John Silverman '98 is the assignment desk manager at iBeam, an internet-based company that streams videos and broadcasts them on the Web for financial and entertainment companies. "As a graduate, I am familiar with the broadcasting program and what it emphasizes," he said. "When I hire someone from Montclair, I know I am getting a quality employee who knows production values."

Pete Flores '97, manager of scheduling and recruitment at Fox News Channel, also looks to his alma mater for potential employees. "Everything we do here is closely related to, or similar, to what students do at Montclair State," he said. "The studio and control room environment for productions are similar to those at Fox News."

Flores, like many broadcasting majors, first began as an intern for his current employer. Brendan O'Melia '00 interned at MSNBC the summer before he graduated. When his internship ended, he was hired to work in the duplication room, and he is now a full-time editor.

Pictured, from left, are front row: George Pierro '99, Alex Jones'99, second row: Rinad Amro '00, Tim Wong '97, third row: Brendan O'Melia '00, Brian Donnelly '97, Jody Beesley '00 and Arrate Isus '00.

Jennifer Stelevich Miko '90, following a lead from Piroh, was offered an entry-level position at CBS Sports paying $6 an hour. Piroh encouraged Miko to take the job at CBS rather than a higher-paying temporary position she was considering. She took the job and was quickly promoted several times. Eight years later she was the manager of Olympic Feature Productions for CBS.

The talents of Montclair State's broadcasting students also are publicly recognized. Competing against established professionals, Mirjam Lablans '01, now a production assistant at Fox News Channel, won a Gracie Allen Award from American Women in Radio and Television for best student documentary over 30 minutes long, and senior Lucy Danny earned one for best student magazine format.

Piroh keeps in touch with broadcasting graduates who are well into their careers. "We work hard to not only to establish a relationship, but to make sure it's ongoing," she said. "Those people come back to us as guest speakers or help us land an internship for someone in a specific area, or if they need a position filled."

Jeffrey Friedman '78, a producer at New Jersey Network, on which fellow alumnus Steve Adubato '80 anchors several shows, teaches in the Broadcasting Department and is instrumental in helping students launch their careers.

Panzer Notes

LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Bill Kirchner '32 has kept friends and classmates informed with a newsletter he's been doing for 20 years. His list is sadly getting shorter, but many are active and enjoying life. Bill and his wife live in Palm Desert, Calif. near their son and daughter. Bill reports that **Jo Cohen Casagrande '31** plays golf and cares for the plants and flowers around her home. Many of us met this wonderful woman at Panzer's final reunion. **Grace Torres Scafatia '31**, who lives in Florida, is quite active caring for her home and still participates as a kegler (bowler).

Ed Bradley '50, chairman and CEO of the New Jersey Fitness and Sports Foundation, received a happy 74th birthday greeting from President George Bush. Ed recently returned from a cruise that included a trip through the Panama Canal. He also received word that he is a candidate to be a torch carrier in the relay for 2002 in Salt Lake City. Congratulations, Ed!

Rose Marie Battaglia '51 recently spent two weeks in Las Vegas and two weeks in California visiting relatives, and then went back to Las Vegas, where she met with **Flo and Lou Peragallo '49,** and **Marge Salamini Egan '59**. Rose Marie then left for Hawaii to cheer on Penn State in a women's basketball tournament. Keep going, Ro!

Joe Bongiorno '52 and his wife, Dorothy, are a traveling pair. They spent part of the winter in Florida, then, with the arrival of spring, headed for Italy. Upon returning to the states, they rested, packed again and headed out on a motor tour through the Carolinas and Savannah, Ga. Joe sends greetings to all his classmates.

Bob O'Conner '50 and **Carol Maurer O'Conner '56** also are staying busy. The South Carolina weather provides great opportunity for one of their favorite sports, tennis. Carol was a volunteer at the *Family Circle* Tennis Classic, where she assisted players before and after matches. We're sure it was a job well done.

Panzer friends are enduring. **Randie Cummings '53** and **Renee Yerg '53** can attest to that. To celebrate 49 years of friendship, the pair is looking forward to a reunion in Sedona, Ariz. Renee is active as a professional dance instructor and choreographer in the Phoenix area, and Randie is a talented recording star with Vanderbilt Productions in Florida.

Ann Ward Jenkins '56 is another gal who travels the globe. She recently toured China and then traveled to Africa for a month with daughter, Lisa. After all that travel she needed some rest...in Hawaii!

Pudge Kinney Delaney '56 is always involved in training of some sort with her wonderful Bernese Mountain dog, Rudi. She recently entered him in an Obedience Fun Run. It came down to a tie with a Rottweiler so the judge called for a run-off. Come on...you didn't for one second think the Rott won, did you? Not long after, Pudge was visited by **Carol Maurer O'Conner '56** and husband, Bob, who were touring the Seattle, Wash. area with their son.

Linda Komonieski '81 and I kept that Panzer spirit alive when we, along with friends, participated in a Workshop for Women at the Meadowlands with the N.Y. Giants. More than 300 participants kicked, ran, tackled and passed in groups lead by the Giants players. A tour of the locker room and romp through the tunnel that leads onto the field was a special treat. The evening was topped off with a scrimmage, parting gifts and a certificate for the completion of Giants Football 2001. The best part was that the proceeds from this evening went to breast cancer research.

After 40 years, **Elayne Daniels Singer '57** contacted "Panzer Notes" to let us know she is alive and well. Living in Oregon, Elayne enjoys hiking, rafting and bouldering with her son, daughter and grandchildren when they get together. Elayne's daughter lives in Colorado and her son resides in Texas. Elayne can be contacted at frandsing@bendcable.com.

Rosemary Lamb Groszman '57, our Disneyworld addict, has once again enjoyed the annual trek to Florida. Before retirement, a group of teaching colleagues traveled to Disney every year during their school vacation. Now the lucky retired ones are off on their own when the crowds are not there.

Doris Nielsen Miller '57 traveled to the state of Washington to help daughter, Paula, a veterinarian, move back to New Jersey. To add enjoyment to the long trip, they leisurely toured the national parks and other scenic areas on the way back east.

Marge Huen Gardiner '57 has retired after 11 years at St. John Vianney High School. Her husband, **John '55**, having been retired a bit longer, has been extolling the advantages of retirement to Marge. Now they can travel without time restrictions, starting with a recent trip to Florida where they visited family and friends.

Susan Kastenberg Slinger '61 teaches health and sex education at South Plainfield Middle School. Though she loves teaching, retirement is sounding good and may come as soon as three years. Susan and Ron, her significant other, enjoy rollerblading, skiing, theater, concerts and traveling. They spend time between their Boca Raton, Fla. and Lake Hopatcong homes with activities they also share with grandchildren. Susan and Ron are close friends with **Roseanne Sussman Goodstein '59** and husband **Bob '61**. The foursome, which does a great deal of traveling, toured national parks out west over the summer. Roseanne and Bob lead a life of travel, theater and concerts. Along with a love of playing bridge, Bob writes "sonnepoems" for fun and offers a program of public participation.

After graduating, **Deb Janowski '78** entered the business world due to lack of available teaching positions. After 18 years, the opportunity to teach presented itself and Deb went for it. She is a teacher at the T. Baldwin Demarest School in Old Tappan. She also coaches seventh- and eighth-grade basketball and softball.

Graduates who would like to get in touch with Hazel Wacker can do so directly by dropping her a line at 208 Essex Meadows, Essex, Conn. 06426.

Send news for Panzer Notes to: Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Panzer Notes" in the subject line.

Sport Shorts

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this fall. For a schedule of upcoming athletic events, call 973-746-6258, or check the Web at www.montclair.edu/athletics.shtml.

Football

The Red Hawks posted a 9-2 record, which included a 9-0 start, the best ever by a Montclair State squad, surpassing the 8-0 mark of the 1964 team. Montclair reached the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Playoffs for the third consecutive year and was ranked in the top 10 throughout most of the season. Quarterback Ed Collins capped off a brilliant career throwing for a school record 32 touchdowns and 3,307 yards while finishing his career as the all-time leader in pass completions (640) and yards (8,408), and tossing 63 touchdowns. Collins was one of 17 players named to the All-New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) team. Linebacker Omar Lucas was chosen as the NJAC Defensive Player of the Year.

Field Hockey

The field hockey team claimed the 2001 Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Mid-Atlantic Championship with a 1-0 victory over top-seeded host Catholic University in Washington, D.C. Sophomore Lea Smith scored the game's only goal in the 31st minute off an assist from senior Andrea Ulicny, while sophomore goalkeeper Trisha Winkle made eight saves against the Cardinals to earn tournament MVP honors, including a final stop on a Catholic penalty corner with just seconds remaining in regulation. It was Montclair State's first ECAC title since 1990. The second-seeded Red Hawks advanced to the title game for the second straight season with a 2-1 overtime win over Drew University. Senior Laura Popes notched the game-winning goal, extending her single-season school record with her 19th goal of the campaign. Montclair State finished with a best-ever 15-4 overall record this fall.

Volleyball

The volleyball team closed its season with a 3-1 loss to visiting New Jersey City University. Junior hitter Stacey Johnson led Montclair with 22 kills, while freshman setter/hitter Tiffany Aciz and sophomore setter Carmen Alvarado each posted 19 assists. Aciz led a freshman Red Hawk lineup with 186 kills in 81 games played while also posting a team-best 41 service aces. Johnson led Montclair with 2.50 kills per game, while Jennifer Olan posted 364 assists as MSU's primary setter, with Aciz finishing second on the squad with 194 assists. Junior Melissa Strauss led MSU with 230 digs, and Alvarado paced the Red Hawks with 45 total blocks, including 21 solo.

Women's Tennis

The women's tennis team closed its 2001 fall season with a 7-2 victory over Georgian Court. Montclair State won all six singles matches as it concluded the season at 10-2, tying the single-season win mark set in 1995 and duplicated in 1996. Maria Cunningham, Jen Sirrico and head coach Brian McLaughlin were honored by the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) as the league named its All-Conference team. Cunningham was chosen as a singles player and then earned a spot on the doubles team with Sirrico. The pair posted a 10-2 mark, including a 4-0 mark against NJAC opponents. McLaughlin was tabbed as NJAC Coach of the Year after guiding the Red Hawks to a school-record 10 victories for the third time in his tenure.

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team ended the 2001 season with a 2-0 loss to top-seeded host New York University in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Metro NY/NJ Championship Game at Riverbank State Park in New York City. Montclair State defeated NYU by a 1-0 count in the 2000 ECAC title game on campus. The Red Hawks advanced to this year's ECAC championship game with a 1-0 double-overtime win over visiting Richard Stockton College, on an unassisted sudden-death goal by freshman Stephanie Sabaliauskas. Junior goalkeeper Stephanie Romanko earned all 13 wins for the Red Hawks this season while posting 12 shutouts to extend her school record to 26 career shutouts. Junior Shannon Hart led in scoring with seven goals and five assists for 19 points in 21 games.

Men's Soccer

The men's soccer team completed its 2001 season with a 4-3 victory over the University of Scranton (Pa.). The Red Hawks ended the season 7-10-2 overall, including a 6-2-1 mark at home and a 5-4-0 non-conference ledger. Freshman midfielder Matt Caswell completed his rookie season as Montclair's top scorer with 14 points, while senior Woodly Lapointe finished as top goal-scorer this fall with six tallies. Senior goalkeeper Alex Luna finished his collegiate career with a school-record 22 career shutouts and earned All-NJAC accolades along with sophomore defender Ryan Guterl and junior defender Sean Pasieka.

Men's and Women's Cross Country

The men's and women's cross country teams closed their season at the New Jersey Athletic Conference Championships in Trenton. The women's team placed fifth, led by junior Tierra Hicks, who placed 18th in a time of 21:12. Kim Regina finished 23rd (21:30), while Karina Zyla (22:13) was 30th. On the men's side, Tom Baldwin earned All-Conference honors as he placed 10th in the field. Baldwin covered the five-mile course in a time of 26:58. He placed fourth among 123 competitors one week earlier at the Collegiate Track Conference 2001 Cross Country Championships, finishing in a time of 27:39.74. Both the men's and women's teams finished fourth at the NJAIAWs/MSU Invitational at Garrett Mountain Reservation.

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Unlocking Mysteries of the Brain

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The Inside TRACK

The mystery of the brain is the intriguing subject of this issue's cover story, revealing how two of the University's researchers are working on deciphering that mysterious organ. Research efforts such as this engage both faculty and students in a rigorous intellectual search for knowledge that provides a sharper understanding of our world and can have tremendous real-world consequences and social benefits.

Such research is an invaluable complement to Montclair State's primary mission of providing the best possible education to the diverse—and growing—student body we serve. The purposes of research at a comprehensive public university such as ours are to assure that our faculty stay on the cutting edge of their fields, to help our students learn, and to help our state and nation solve significant problems. Research informs what we teach and how we teach, and provides important opportunities for students as well as professors to expand their knowledge.

At Montclair State, undergraduate and graduate students often participate in their professors' research projects, learning not only about the subject matter but also about how new knowledge is created. The research activities of our students have won well-deserved recognition. They have had their papers published in scholarly journals or presented at scholarly conferences and, just recently, a group of students traveled to Trenton where they showed the results of their research work in a poster session at the State House. Montclair State's newly approved doctoral program in environmental management will include an intensive one-year research seminar linked to one of several ongoing communities comprising faculty, graduate students and undergraduates working on related research. (Read more about the new program on page 7.)

A review of our ongoing research initiatives would reveal a wide range of activities. For example, professor Diana Thomas of Mathematical Sciences has led an effort that resulted in a mathematical model of the evolution of the West Nile strain of encephalitis. The model incorporates a control variable that allows it to predict the impact of pesticide use in controlling the spread of the disease and the measures necessary to eradicate it.

Professor Mark Kaelin of Health Professions led an effort funded by the Center for Disease Control that uses epidemiology to explore health-related issues of relevance to students in inner-city public schools. The project, "Detectives in the Classroom," is expected to increase the interest and performance of these students in science and mathematics.

Professor Debra Zellner of Psychology has developed an active research group exploring the impact of the senses on the perceived desirability of food and beverages. This work recently led to the publication of an article exploring the common color and sensory attributes of foods and beverages that are considered refreshing.

Professor William Solecki of Earth and Environmental Studies is focusing increasingly on issues related to environmental change and management in and around megacities. Most recently, he has been working on a comparative analysis of land use and land cover change in New York and Shanghai, as well as a study of the impacts of potential climate change on the greater New York metropolitan area.

This is just a hint of the breadth and relevance of the research agendas being pursued by our faculty and students. At Montclair State, the education of our students is an integrated part of the faculty's pursuit of new knowledge. Research and scholarship therefore stand at the heart of the University's mission.

It is my sincere hope that by the time you receive this issue, the flowers have started to bloom and the grass has started to grow. It has been a long and cold winter and we deserve a beautiful spring. In this issue's column, I want to make a special appeal to you to have some fun. I must also ask for your help.

Spring is a time of renewal. The Alumni Association is renewing its commitment to our alma mater in a number of ways. We are increasing the amount of money available for scholarships, and we are working toward fulfilling our $500,000 pledge to restore the amphitheater.

We are renewing our commitment to fellow alumni by keeping our promise of instituting the long-term care insurance affinity program. We also are planning an exciting party for Alumni Weekend.

On May 3, you can help renew your commitment to Montclair State by participating in this year's festivities. We have an exciting day planned with a number of new and unique activities.

For the first time, you will have the opportunity to attend the Alumni Association scholarship awards ceremony. Come meet this year's recipients and their families, and see your donations at work. If you prefer, you can attend the New Jersey Athletic Conference Baseball Championship games at the beautiful Yogi Berra Stadium.

Join us for a dinner party where we will honor graduating years ending in 3 and 8, the School of Business, the Black Alumni Chapter, the 1978 women's basketball team and Panzer alumni.

Bid for exciting prizes at the silent auction, have a cocktail and enjoy the music, dance and camaraderie. Renew your relationship with our rapidly growing university.

Now that a great weekend is planned, I need to ask that you show your commitment with some work as well. Due to the statewide budget problems, Montclair State is facing a loss in state aid of at least 12 percent next year. This means the University will need to "find" about $10,000,000 next year to keep the same level of service it provided in 2002.

Please take the time to write your legislator and remind him/her that state institutions require state support. (See page 17 for more information.) Our job is to help our alma mater thrive, not merely survive. I encourage you to take pen (or keyboard) in hand and show your support.

Spring is a time for renewal of commitment. Let this spring be a time for you to renew your commitment to Montclair State.

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
President
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Mirror, Mirror on the Wall

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

Sometimes we may not like what we see in the mirror, but one thing we know for sure is that we are looking at ourselves. So what exactly gives us the ability to recognize our own image?

While most neuroscientists would attribute that ability to the left side of the brain, Dr. Julian Keenan of the Psychology Department discovered the credit, in fact, should go to the right side of the brain.

"What we found is that the right hemisphere is highly important for self-awareness, self-recognition and self-reflection, which is contrary to what a lot of neuroscientists previously thought," said Keenan, who led the study that revealed the right side of the brain plays an integral role in self-recognition. "A lot of times the higher-order cognitive functions are ascribed to the left side of the brain, such as language, logic, reasoning, and here it turns out the right hemisphere really is the seat of making us who we are."

Keenan conducted the research two years ago while working as a postdoctoral fellow at Beth Israel Deaconness Medical Center in Boston. Through two separate studies, he and his colleagues gathered the evidence to support what they suspected.

"The basic idea was to find out where in the brain people recognize their own face," explained Keenan. "But the greater implication is that this is about who you are."

In the first part of the study, Keenan and his colleagues worked with five patients who were undergoing preoperative testing for brain surgery to treat epilepsy. In the testing, each half of the brain was briefly anesthetized for up to three minutes so that surgeons could evaluate whether the right or left hemisphere was dominant for speech and memory.

Each patient was shown and asked to remember a morphed computer image blending the patient's own face with one of a famous person. Each man's photograph was morphed with the face of Bill Clinton or Albert Einstein, and each woman's was combined with the face of Marilyn Monroe or Princess Diana. After the anesthesia wore off, patients were asked to choose the face they remembered seeing: their faces or the famous face, although they saw only the morphed image when they were under anesthesia.

When the right hemisphere was anesthetized, four of the five recollected seeing only the famous person. With the left hemisphere numbed, all five patients remembered the morphed picture as a photo of themselves alone.

This discovery was groundbreaking.

A follow-up experiment was conducted on 10 more people. They were asked to look at pictures of themselves morphed with famous people and of their colleagues morphed with famous people. Their brain activity was measured in each hemisphere using Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS), a cutting-edge technique that briefly and painlessly inhibits activity in a small brain area. Again, what Keenan and his group found was that self-recognition involved a significantly greater amount of activity on the right side of the brain.

Although Keenan was excited about the findings, he admits to having some reservations. "There was a part of me that was scared because it's something different than the common zeitgeist in cognitive neuroscience, which is that language is necessary for consciousness, and since language is in the left hemisphere, the left must be important for consciousness," he said. "Yet here we were proving the complete opposite. The left hemisphere is important, but the right hemisphere is taking up the brunt of higher-order consciousness, this ability to think our own thoughts. We've met a lot of resistance, but the more the theory gets replicated, the more people start to believe."

Keenan hopes his new book, *The Face in the Mirror*, due out in July, will assist scientists who are pursuing research on this subject.

As the research continues, the implications are reaching into the medical world, with scientists concentrating on connections between self-awareness in children with autism and the right hemisphere, as well as studies of Alzheimer's Disease in which during the late stages there tends to be a loss of self-recognition.

At Montclair State, Keenan has established the Cognitive Neuroimaging Laboratory with grants from the Kennedy Foundation, the True Mirror Company and Cure Autism Now. He is working on research with students that will reinforce what they already know and take it a step further. "What we are now trying to discover is which area of the right hemisphere is critical for self-awareness," said Keenan, who was this year's Presidential Invited Faculty Lecturer. "Using TMS, we are trying to disrupt a person's ability to recognize his own face. We think that by stimulating the right hemisphere, we will make subjects unable to recognize their own face or other self-related stimuli."

It's easy to understand how Keenan gets willing participants. His students feed off his own enthusiasm of the subject matter. "You have to present the material in an exciting way," he said. "I can make the brain as boring as the next guy but I have to make it accessible to them. A lot of the reason that I'm at Montclair State is I love working with the students. There are some amazing students here. When you give them a little tap, they run with it. What they give you back is so much motivation and so much excitement."

Keenan's connection with the students is the reason why he says he would never give up teaching. "I had a post-doctoral fellowship for a year and half at Harvard Medical School and was on the faculty, but I really wasn't doing any teaching," he explained. "I was never so bored in my entire life. The same would be true if I were at a teaching-only university; I would be equally bored. I need the students to keep me motivated. I need to motivate them to motivate me. It keeps everything fresh. For me, the teaching has to go with the research. I need that balance.

"To see the students get enthused about research is spectacular," he added. "At first they're skeptical and scared. Then to see them realize that they could do what they didn't think they could ever do...I love it."

BRAIN RESEARCH

Unforgettable

BY WILLIAM VALLADARES

Television viewers often surf channels not to watch their favorite programs, but to find those commercials that are playing songs they haven't heard since they dumped their old 45s and eight tracks.

When General Mills dusted off a recording of the Partridge Family's "I Think I Love You" to market its Berry Burst Cheerios, when Claritin invoked Katrina and the Waves' "Walking on Sunshine" and when the U.S. Postal Service revived the Steve Miller Band's "Fly Like An Eagle," they somehow were able to reach into their target audience's past and retrieve memories thought to be long forgotten. Why is it that we can instantly recall lyrics to songs we haven't heard or sung in a decade or more, and why do those songs trigger other memories?

Mark E. Hill of the Marketing Department is discovering the nature of memory by examining it through the lens of forgetting. His research questions the retention basis of our understandings of memory and offers a contemporary view of the relationship between memory and forgetting. As a result of this research, new strategies are emerging that open a new realm of marketing possibilities. Nostalgia-type advertisements, for instance, bring a sense of the past into the present, but in the process the marketer actually recreates the old into the new.

"You're not really reliving the past; it's a recreation serving the purposes of the present," Hill explained. "Marketers who refashion images or music are employing strategies that involve forgetting. People are not reliving the experience; a new one is being created. This perspective may explain why we are so predisposed toward the new. The rate in which the new passes into the old has significantly accelerated today compared to 20 years ago."

Beyond the area of memory, Hill's research impacts learning, consciousness, decision-making, marketing communications, consumer behavior and marketing strategy. Even in the field of management, the issue of forgetting is taking on greater significance as companies look for new ways to facilitate organizational learning and change to be more flexible with shifts in market conditions.

"I initially looked at the understanding of memory from various theories in terms of how to design more memorable ads," said Hill. "I questioned how consumers have certain memories available and how they block out others when they make decisions. The idea here is to shift the perspective in terms of consumer behavior from memory attention to strategies that involve forgetting."

Hill is challenging the traditional view spanning more than 2,000 years that the concept of memory is based on retention. His research questions the extent to which we are able to retain information and, at a later date, access it. "The answer lies in coming to know what forgetting is and its relationship to memory," he explained. "From a forgetting perspective, we are able to develop an existential understanding of memory,—The answer lies in coming to know what forgetting is and its relationship to memory. The word memory as suggested by your article is really a misnomer. From a forgetting perspective, we are able to develop an existential understanding of memory—whatever it may be—consciousness, and the inevitiability for our questioning. A psychological explanation, exclusively, would be inadequate and that's why the more multidisciplinary approach is needed."

Hill is in the process of developing a corresponding methodology to identify the questioning that goes along with thinking. "My research offers an existential, post-modern and post-structuralist view of the human condition. It appears that through the languaging process involving metaphor, we have prosthetically applied the technologies of our times to ourselves. One such retention understanding of memory stems from Socrates' wax tablet. We have the capability to be inscribed, leaving an impression for later use. Similarly, Freud's reference to the magic slate suggests the origination for the conscious/subconscious distinction."

According to Hill, when we consider the nature of forgetting, a different perspective of memory comes into view. We construct a past for the purposes of the present. Supporting evidence, he said, comes from various areas including research that involves eyewitness testimony, where it has been found that the validity of such testimony is suspect since the questions asked by lawyers can significantly affect a witness's recollections of what actually occurred. However, the ability to forgive also is attributed to forgetfulness. It's what allows us to let go.

"A forgetting perspective explains our understandings associated with forgiveness, our sense of otherness, a past that is no longer ours and the inevitability of our questioning," he said. "Ultimately, my research is directed toward changing how we view consumer behavior by understanding how our existing knowledge of consumers came into being."

Hill's study of memory has found a natural segue into his advertising, consumer behavior and marketing research classes, and is a vital part of his marketing pedagogy strategy. An advocate of teaching across the disciplines, Hill often engages his marketing students in discussions about philosophy, psychology, history, anthropology and cultural theory.

"Within the context of advertising, we need to ask, 'How long would the effects from the exposure to particular advertisements last? If the effects are fleeting, what are the implications to the marketer in terms of their strategies?' We explore and discuss these issues in class, and in the process, students acquire a much more dynamic understanding to practice marketing."

Hill's teaching philosophy developed out of answering what he describes as the fundamental question related to the profession of teaching: What is the primary goal of a teacher?

"We teach students to think, and from my research, thinking and questioning go hand in hand," he said. "My Socratic teaching method teaches students the questioning required to be effective marketers and, in the process, engages students in their own questioning within the disciplinary perspective. I attempt to draw questions out of my students, so in the process the questioning becomes more theirs than mine."

University Prepares to Break New Ground for Academic Building

The design for Montclair State's new academic building is generating excitement and anticipation for what promises to be a valuable resource for the campus and surrounding communities.

"We are excited about the design of the building and the impact it will have on teaching and learning, as well as scholarship and outreach at the University," said Provost Richard Lynde.

At 270,000 square feet, the new building will be the largest academic facility on campus. To be located on what is now Lot 14, the building will have an open space design, conceived by S/L/A/M Collaborative, that allows for future expansion and renovation. With four floors on the east side and seven on the west, the building will surround an outdoor courtyard with paved areas for benches, tables and chairs to allow for functions, study and student-faculty interaction space. In keeping with the University's Spanish colonial-style buildings, the courtyard will resemble Moorish gardens of Spain.

A focal point will be a 120-foot bell tower on the building's northeast corner.

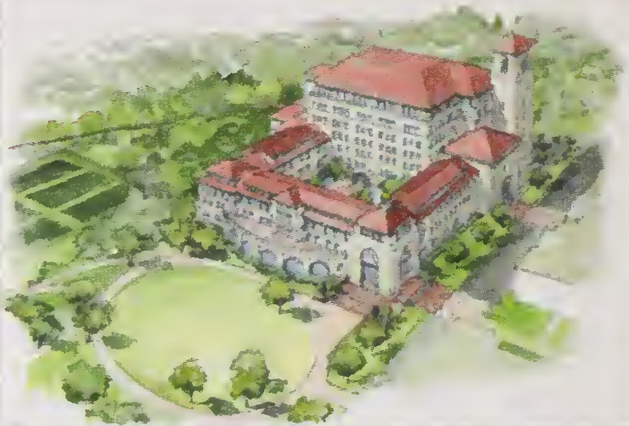
The new facility will be home to the College of Education and Human Services and the Office of Information Technology. Office and instructional spaces include a dean's suite, 125 faculty offices, eight specialized learning labs, six department offices and 28 adjunct faculty workstations. Also housed in the building will be the ADP Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technology, the Center for Pedagogy, a Literacy Enrichment Center, and the Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children. Shared space includes five conference rooms, two study rooms and one large function room. Classroom space includes eight 100-seat lecture halls and 29 classrooms with 30 to 40 seats.

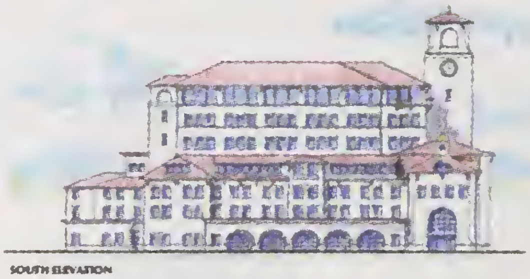
Information Technology will have space in the new building for its network operations and data center as well as training classrooms, offices and workstations.

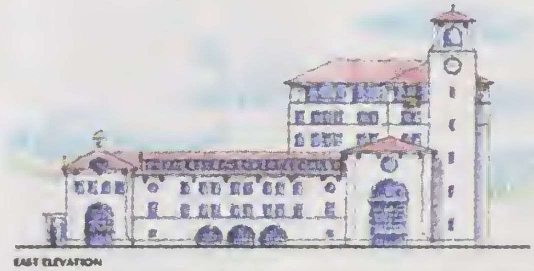
A seventh-floor conference center with a spectacular view of New York will have a ballroom that can accommodate groups of up to 520 people, a private dining area for groups of 40 or less and a full-service kitchen.

With an estimated 5,000 people passing in and out of the building each day, it has been designed and organized internally to allow for such flow.

Construction on the $54-million facility is expected to begin this fall for a fall 2005 opening.







Two New Science Programs Help Meet State's Needs

Montclair State University will welcome its first students this fall in two new science programs: a doctoral program in environmental management and a bachelor's program in science informatics.

Approved in March by the New Jersey Commission on Higher Education, the doctoral program is unlike any other in the state because of its strong interdisciplinary and problem-solving approach to environmental management.

"New Jersey has some of the most complicated environmental management problems in the United States as a result of a high population density, an extensive commercial and manufacturing base, and well-developed environmental regulations," said William Solecki, program director. "These conditions produce a uniquely complex set of environmental problems that only can be addressed by using knowledge from areas such as natural science, economics, geography, political science, sociology, psychology, law, administration, management and philosophy; and skills such as research, investigation, critical thinking, quantitative analysis, communication and action-oriented problem-solving.

"There is a clear need for such interdisciplinary environmental academic programs in the state," he added. "This new interdisciplinary program will provide the skills required in the environmental management field."

Housed in the Department of Earth and Environmental Studies, the program will utilize resources and faculty from the School of Business, the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and MSU's New Jersey School of Conservation, as well as other departments within the College of Science and Mathematics.

Open to full-time students as well as fully employed professionals, the program includes a specially designed residency/research experience in which students will be placed in an intensive one-year research seminar linked to one of several ongoing research communities comprising faculty, graduate students and undergraduates working on related research. Students will have access to more than 50 teaching and research labs. For more information about the new doctoral program, call the Graduate School at 973-655-5147 or go to www.montclair.edu/graduate.

The bachelor's degree in science informatics is designed to prepare graduates to work in a diverse array of New Jersey's high-tech companies, particularly pharmaceutical, biotechnology and other data-intensive industries.

"Advances in computer hardward/software, biochemistry, molecular biology, geoscience and mathematical modeling have added information science to traditionally laboratory and field-based sciences," said Jinan Jaber, assistant dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. "The degree has interdisciplinary coursework providing both breadth and depth in four departments—Biology and Molecular Biology, Chemistry and Biochemistry, Computer Science and Mathematics—and a specialized concentration in one of three areas: biochemistry, computer science and molecular biology."

Each concentration requires an internship in industry, providing students with real-world experience and opening doors for future employment. The concentration in molecular biology will prepare students for a career or graduate program in bioinformatics.

"This concentration will emphasize the application of computational tools to problems of storing, retrieving and analyzing scientific data related to DNA/RNA and protein sequences, structures, functions, pathways and genetic interactions," Jaber said.

The concentrations in biochemistry and computer science will prepare students to work with the massive databases developed in chemistry, environmental science, forensics, neuroscience and the mathematical sciences.

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TheatreFest

Dawn O'Leary, the winner of the TheatreFest 2003 Regional Playwriting Contest, will have her play, "A Delicate Arrangement," premiere in June. The play deals with intimidation in the presence of art and explores the fundamental question of why artists create.

Sixteen performances will be presented June 12-29. For times and ticket information call 973-655-5112. TheatreFest is offering many opportunities for young theatergoers and artists this season.

Camp TheatreFest

A day camp dedicated to the arts, Camp TheatreFest is packed with fun as children in grades 4-6 participate in workshops in theater, dance, music and art. The program runs from July 7 through July 25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Students can sign up for individual weeks or the entire program.

Young Playwright's Institute

This three-week session gives serious young writers, ages 11-14, the opportunity to work with professional playwrights and learn about all aspects of the playwriting process. The program runs July 7-25 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Enrollment is limited. For more information about Camp TheatreFest and the Young Playwright's Institute, call 973-655-7070.

TheatreFest for Kids and Pushcart Players

Children in grades pre-K through 5 will watch the wonder and magic of live theater as they journey into the imaginary world of many "once upon a time" favorites in "Little Red Riding Hood and Other Stories" on July 18 at 11 a.m. in Memorial Auditorium.

On July 25, get ready for "Three Cheers for America," a spirited salute to 20th-century America in song, dance and story. Designed for children in grades kindergarten through 8, the performance illustrates the struggles and achievements of past generations in preserving the freedoms enjoyed today.

Tickets for each production are $9. Group discounts are available by calling 973-655-5112.

Live From Panama…
It's Real-Time Education

BY PHYLLIS MILLER

Students in New Jersey and Texas had a unique opportunity to learn about wildlife in the Panama rainforests from two researchers on location. Live videoconferencing from a tropical forest research facility in Panama enabled Jacalyn Willis and her husband Gregory to speak to students about their work and answer questions.

The broadcasts were converted to streaming video for Web site viewing and archiving.

Jacalyn, director of PRISM (Professional Resources in Science and Mathematics) within Montclair State's College of Science and Mathematics, and Gregory presented five sessions in English and Spanish to classes in New Jersey and Texas. The researchers have studied wildlife on Barro Colorado Island (BCI) in Panama for a month each year for the past 20 years, carrying out a long-term census of mammals to study how populations of different species on the island change from year to year.

Located in Gatun Lake, part of the Panama Canal waterway, BCI is a field station operated by the Smithsonian Tropical Research Institute. Students were able to talk with the couple and their associates directly from this forest location.

Seven years ago the Willises created the Rainforest Connection, an interactive e-mail project. Together they write regular journal entries for students in New Jersey, where they live most of the year, and students may correspond with the team in Panama. The Rainforest Connection is coordinated by PRISM, which provides services to school districts in the teaching of science and mathematics. The research team in Panama has posted regular journal entries on the Rainforest Connection Web site describing what they see and experience as they carry out their projects in the forest.

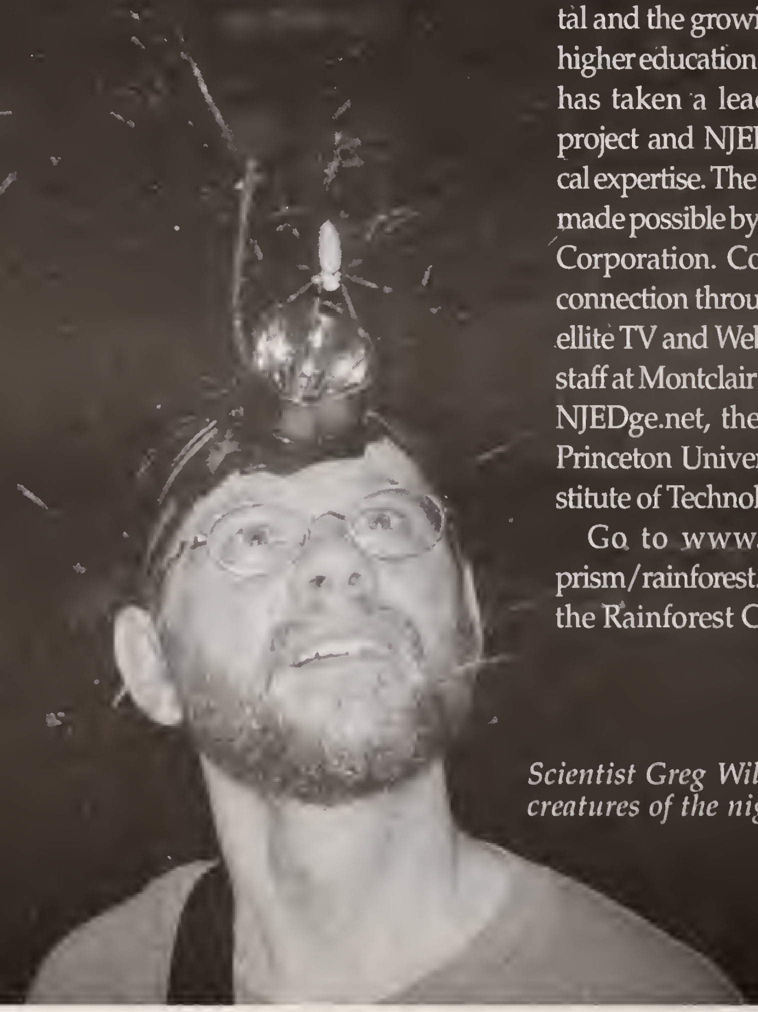
The Rainforest Connection is a useful source for background information on forests, how researchers study animals, basic ecological principles, animal ecology, photos, video clips, interviews with scientists and lesson plans. The Web site has a Spanish-language version as well, to include bilingual students in the United States and students in Latin American countries. Teachers used the Rainforest Connection materials to prepare students for the videoconference discussions.

"This is an exciting first for New Jersey educational institutions: to actually develop our own videoconference with classes in the United States, and live from a research site in an exotic location," said Jacalyn. "It gives new meaning to the Rainforest Connection as an interactive teaching venue." If this pilot project succeeds, similar programming from Montclair State and from field sites will be made available to more schools partnered with PRISM.

New Jersey schools participating in the project include Passaic Valley Regional High School and schools in the districts of East Orange, Paterson, Park Ridge, Passaic, Garfield, Bayonne and Kearny. Several schools from the Temple, Texas Independent School District also participated.

This new international K-12 project showcases the Verizon/ANJ Newark Portal and the growing partnerships between higher education and K-12 schools. Verizon has taken a leadership position in this project and NJEDge.net provided technical expertise. The live video connection was made possible by funding from the Verizon Corporation. Coordination of the video connection through the technology of satellite TV and Web videostreaming involve staff at Montclair State University, Verizon, NJEDge.net, the Tandberg Corporation, Princeton University and New Jersey Institute of Technology.

Go to www.csam.montclair.edu/prism/rainforest.htm to learn more about the Rainforest Connection.



Scientist Greg Willis explores creatures of the night in Panama.

Alumni PROFILE

Ron Califre '72

BY NANCY HUTCHINSON '69 '02 M.A.

When Ronald M. Califre entered Montclair State in the late '60s, he had a clear vision of becoming a biology teacher. "A career in pharmaceuticals would have been the last thing I thought of in college," he said.

Today, Califre is senior vice president, research and development, for Novartis, where he heads the global firm's U.S. operations for research and development and is responsible for 2,400 employees in the United States. He also is a member of Novartis' Executive Committee, Research Management Board and Discovery Management Board.

How did he make the leap from a long-held desire to teach to New Jersey's pharmaceuticals corridor? "The clear vision I had became blurred," he explained, as his interests began expanding beyond pre-med courses to studies in wildlife biology. His interest in all aspects of biology, coupled with a strong interest in art, even led him to consider becoming a scientific illustrator.

The possibility of a career in illustration became stronger in Califre's senior year when one of his professors, Joseph Becker, was working on a biology text. Becker asked his student to create drawings that would help the publisher translate scientific concepts into the kind of pictures the book would need. Several of Califre's original illustrations ultimately appeared in the published textbook.

Later, at the suggestion of an academic counselor, Califre took a federal exam that would have qualified him for a government job as a wildlife biologist. But several weeks later, he got a call from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), which was looking to expand its staff. That phone call led to a 10-year career at the FDA, during which time he pursued graduate studies in pharmacy and pharmacology.

> "I was particularly impressed that the University was interested in helping students gain the skills and competencies New Jersey-based industries need."

Then, Califre "jumped the fence" to Ciba-Geigy, where he first worked in regulatory affairs and later became involved in broader clinical development and medical affairs activities. He was senior vice president of medicine and clinical development by 1997, when the company merged with Sandoz to form Novartis.

In his post, Califre strives to maintain a work environment in which creativity can flourish, and he feels fortunate to work for a company whose mission is to improve people's lives.

"We developed a drug that treats a type of chronic leukemia that was essentially a fatal disease," he explained. "Suddenly we saw everybody going into remission in the earliest stages of testing—results borne out by further testing. There is no feeling like having someone say to you, 'You gave me my life back.' " Califre also is proud of the leadership Novartis has taken in making it easier for seniors to get access to pharmaceuticals through a program called Together Rx.

While he had lost touch with Montclair State after graduation, nostalgia drew him back a few years ago to show his children his alma mater. "I wanted them to see where I'd gone to college, so I drove them around and was floored by the amount of change," said Califre, who lives in Wayne with his wife, Marcy, their children Evan, 16, and Gabrielle, 13, and their golden retriever Sammy.

Last year, Califre met with Robert Prezant, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics, to hear about some exciting initiatives in the sciences. "It was impressive to see the expansion of programs at MSU," he said. "I was particularly impressed that the University was interested in helping students gain the skills and competencies New Jersey-based industries need."

It was a theme that resonated with Califre, a member of the New Jersey R&D Council. The group, comprising research and development people from a range of industries, frequently focuses on the importance of workforce development.

"When Bob talked about curricula and programs at Montclair State, and the possibility of partnerships that would benefit both the students and us, I saw a real change in emphasis from a time when colleges weren't focused on those issues," he said.

One activity is PharmFest, an annual daylong program launched last year. Conducted by the College of Science and Mathematics, the School of Business and Career Services, PharmFest is designed to give high school and college students an opportunity to explore careers in the pharmaceutical industry in New Jersey. PharmFest includes talks by pharmaceutical officers and government leaders, a panel discussion with industry executives, workshops and roundtable discussions, as well as a career fair and expo. This year, Novartis is a sponsor and Califre will be a member of the panel at the April 30 event.

Reflecting on his experience as a student at Montclair State, Califre believes that what he learned continues to serve him well in business. While he may not stand in front of a classroom, the communication and presentation skills he would have used as a teacher are put to use every day. And while he works with scientists instead of students, the ability to provide direction and mobilize groups of people to get results is indispensable in directing Novartis' research and development team.

One Year Out And Going Strong

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE '75

Numbers and statistics tell the story in any given survey. But for the Montclair State University One Year Out Survey of 2001 graduates, there are numerous stories to be told, and knowledge to be mined, by carefully deciphering the numbers.

The survey had two main goals: First, to provide a snapshot of life after Montclair State as this year's seniors prepare—no doubt with some trepidation—to enter a tough job market; and second, to provide information that will help steer decisions on future curriculum at the University.

The survey results offer feedback to this year's graduating class in terms of career and continuing education experiences, giving them an idea, at least statistically, of what they might encounter after they receive their diplomas. At the very least, they can gauge how well 2001 graduates are doing as a yardstick for their chances in the job market.

Maralyn Kinch, assistant director of Career Development, said the essential message of the survey for students is "study what interests you, but no matter what your major, be sure to get career experience before graduation." That practical experience can include a part-time job, corporate internship, volunteer work or cooperative education experience.

Kinch said employers prefer to hire graduates who have already proven themselves with related work experience.

Equally important, the survey provides raw data for the "academic loop." It represents the information that will help guide the critical choices that deans, administrators and professors must make regarding the way students are educated. The survey numbers, when carefully analyzed, can help map future academic programs.

Jane Zeff, director of Institutional Research, said the survey results provide initial feedback on how well graduates are functioning in the work world and in their graduate school endeavors. The feedback is essential because it shows how and where Montclair State alumni are working in their field of interest.

"Research into what happens to our graduates has been done in a variety of ways over the years," Kinch said. She explained that for more than 10 years Career Services surveyed all seniors who had registered with the office to find out their graduate school/employment status. About five years ago, organizational and personnel changes made it possible for a much more representative survey to be conducted. "We asked Jane to do this survey and worked closely with her to create the questions," Kinch said.

After uploading the pages to the Career Development Web site, Kinch sent the relevant URL to everyone in her office and appropriate others such as the directors of Academic Advising, the New Student Experience and the Educational Opportunity Program. "We wanted this information to be communicated to students, particularly those in the process of choosing a major," she said.

The School of Business, which is accredited by the AACSB—the International Association for Management Education, the premiere national accrediting agency for business schools, is particularly interested in the survey results. "As an accredited school, the School of Business is required to submit reports to track what Montclair State graduates are doing," Zeff explained. "Are students using what we've taught them? Are they finding their niche in the post-undergraduate world? Do they have the training they need? Are they struggling? Answers to these questions help our institution with accrediting bodies. This is how we know what is happening with our graduates. This is the information that can help us fine tune our curriculum."

While numbers and statistics in a survey may offer a glimpse of life for alumni, other information must be carefully evaluated to reveal other findings. For example, nearly 88 percent of respondents cited time management, organizational skills and effective oral communication as essential personal tools for their careers. This prompted incorporation of these skills into one freshman seminar class.

"The freshman seminar is something we do to help our students make the transition to college life," Zeff said. "We want to provide them with, among other things, self-monitoring, organizational skills. This, actually, is a tangible skill for any field of study. We want to give students an awareness of how they are spending their hours in the day."

Carolyn Jones, director of Career Development, has used the

Name: Gina Worman

Age: 33

***Field of study:** Accounting*

***Employment:** Gina is a tax accountant at Ernst and Young. She works in the Iselin office, which has approximately 200 employees.*

***How she began:** She joined the company in October 2001 as an auditor in Advisory and Assurance Business Services. She took the CPA exam in November and passed all four parts. The following August she transferred to Global Employment Solutions, where she prepares tax returns for employees of clients on international assignments as well as for foreign nationals working in the United States.*

***Getting involved:** Gina is involved in Ernst and Young's Women's Access Group, a development and internal networking program for women in the firm. "Of the Big Four accounting firms, about 50 percent of new hires are women, but statistically less than 10 percent make it to partner," she said. "This group does community service, networking, and educational programming on women's issues."*

***Goals:** To become a manager at Ernst and Young.*

***MSU flashback:** Gina was a member of the MSU Accounting Society for two years, serving one year as president. "Montclair State helped me prepare for the CPA exam and provided me with on-campus networking and employer recruiting opportunities. I had a lot of opportunities to meet people in the profession."*

survey results in multiple conversations with the academic deans and members of the media. Jeannine Parisi, the University's employer relations coordinator, will use the information throughout the year to identify major employers who have hired students. Parisi will invite many of those employers to participate in programs such as on-campus recruitment and career fairs.

An Overview of the Results

Zeff said 1,668 surveys went out to alumni who graduated in academic year 2000/2001. Two mailings went out to graduates and 628 responses came in, a response rate of 38 percent. The survey contained 14 questions.

Of all 2001 graduates replying to the survey, 80 percent said they are working in the fields of education, the arts, business and human services.

Of that 80 percent, 26 percent said they are employed in the field of education, a statistic that maintains the legacy and tradition of Montclair State as a teacher's college. For other fields of employment, 6 percent said they are involved in health care and 5 percent said they are involved in government work. Eighty-seven percent of respondents said they live and work in New Jersey.

More than 18 percent of respondents said they are pursuing post-baccalaureate studies. Nearly two-thirds reported that they continue to study in the state, and more than 40 percent said they re-enrolled for courses at Montclair State.

The survey revealed that 37 percent of respondents garner starting salaries under $30,000 at their respective places of employment; 49 percent said salaries range from $30,000 to $39,000; 11 percent have salaries in the $40,000-to-$49,000 range; while 3 percent said they earn $50,000 or more.

One especially telling piece of information came from nearly 300 respondents, who offered other comments. Of this group, 17 percent of alumni said their participation in an internship or volunteer program during their undergraduate years helped them to arrive at their current job.

"The alumni said those experiences were helpful during their years at Montclair State, in terms of their career development," Zeff said.

How to Access the Report

The One Year Out Survey is available on the Internet at www.montclair.edu/pages.vpbpit/new_alumni _02.pdf. To see how Career Development used the survey to help students making career decisions, go to www.montclair.edu/pages/CareerServices/major.html.

We Want to Know About You

Montclair State's centennial celebration is on the horizon and alumni play an important role in MSU's history and tradition. We're asking alumni to take a few minutes to log on to www.montclair.edu/alumnisurvey and participate in a brief survey that will give us an overview of our alumni over the years. Alumni who participate in the survey will receive a gift.

Name: *Ray Perez*

Age: *24*

Field of study: *Broadcasting*

Employment: *Satellite Operations Manager for NBC, working out of the MSNBC building in Secaucus.*

How he began: *Ray began as a freelance satellite operator in June 2002 and joined the staff in February. "They brought me in as a test run to see if they could teach satellite operations to a student. They had done it once before and it succeeded. They gave it another shot with me and it worked again."*

Job responsibilites: *Ray books and coordinates remotes for "The Today Show" and various MSNBC and CNBC shows. "It's hectic at times," he said, "Sometimes I answer a few hundred phone calls a day. But I love it. It takes some people 10 to 15 years in the industry to get this job."*

Other endeavors: *Ray co-owns, along with alumnus David Strauss '01 and Montclair State senior Eric Discher, LastNite, a multi-media production company in North Arlington. The company provides a variety of production services including video, computer animation and Web design.*

Goals: *"I know it's difficult to climb the network ladder, but I'd like to eventually become involved in broadcast network operations a little higher up."*

MSU flashback: *"The Broadcasting faculty not only shows you how to use equipment but they teach you how to think and troubleshoot. The program is multifaceted and it can take you in many directions. I concentrated on understanding the workings about why and how certain things are done. I wanted to learn the business of broadcasting and I did."*

Making Every Minute Count

BY ROMAN J. USCHAK
ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF SPORTS INFORMATION

Stephanie Romanko can literally say she saw every minute the women's soccer team played from 1999 through 2002. That's because she was defending the Red Hawk goal for every one of those minutes, 7,842 minutes and four seconds to be exact, setting a new National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III career record. The senior also established new all-time Montclair State standards in career saves (356), games (86), wins (55) and shutouts (46) in leading the Red Hawks to three Eastern College Athletic Conference (ECAC) Metro championship games, including the 2000 title, plus this year's New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) championship contest.

"It has kind of been like a golden road," said Romanko. "I can see now that all the hard work has paid off." This season's NJAC Defensive Player of the Year, Romanko was featured in *Sports Illustrated's* prestigious "Faces in the Crowd" section in the Dec. 16 issue, and was chosen as the first All-American in the history of Montclair State's women's soccer program.

"It's nice to know that all the sweat has meant something, and I'll cherish my memories here forever," she said.

A vocal leader on and off the field, she'll recall the great games and spectacular saves, but it will be her teammates that she will miss most of all. "I'll remember the records I've set for Montclair, but I'll especially remember the times with my teammates," she said.

Romanko takes pride in never having missed one tick on the clock in her four seasons at MSU, not even when injury intervened. "I fractured my wrist in a game and had it completely taped up," she recalled, "but even the pain of getting through that game was worth it. I would never want to miss even one minute."

Head Coach Eileen Blair, herself a semi-pro soccer goalie, will miss her star player. "Steph's accomplishments are an incredible testament to her will, her inner strength and her competitive spirit," she said. "Steph is motivated by commitment. She is passionate about playing, and driven to excel. I am extremely proud of her."

Along with classmate Lu Scarabaggio, Romanko was one of Blair's first recruits who helped the program improve its level of play. They took Montclair from a 7-10-1 overall mark in 1998, Blair's first season, to 13 victories as freshmen and more than 50 total wins in their careers.

"Steph commanded the respect of her coaches and teammates by exhibiting a strong dedication to her team and to preparing to be the best," Blair said. "Her commitment to excellence, to our team and to being a fiery competitor never wavered. She was the backbone of MSU Soccer and will be forever remembered. She thrives in pressure situations, seeks out challenges and has represented us well."

Romanko is now set for the softball season, after having patrolled center field for the Red Hawks the past two springs. She has been named All-NJAC in her two seasons while batting .321 with 84 hits and 30 stolen bases in 89 games in helping Montclair to two of its three consecutive ECAC Division III South crowns.

And while her college soccer career has come to an end, she may not be ready to hang up her cleats. "I've had offers to pursue my soccer career," said the health and physical education major with a concentration in teaching. "It depends upon how much school I've got left, but there are possibilities."

Sports SHORTS

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this winter. For the spring sports schedule, go to www.montclair.edu/athletics.

Men's Basketball

The Montclair State men's basketball team recorded its finest season since 1984 as the Red Hawks finished 23-6 (13-5 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC)) and advanced to the "Sweet 16" of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III Tournament for the first time since 1984. MSU captured its first NJAC crown in 21 years with a thrilling 86-84 double-overtime win over Ramapo in February. Senior Ben Martinez scored the game-winning basket with 1.9 seconds left in the second overtime. Montclair then hosted its first-ever NCAA Division III Tournament game at Pazner Gymnasium and rallied from 15 points down in the second half to defeat Elizabethtown, 74-69 to advance. In the second round, MSU disposed of 2001 NCAA champion Catholic University, 95-78 behind a career-high 24 points from Martinez. The Red Hawks advanced to the Sectional Tournament where they lost to Ramapo, 89-80. Freshman Antwan Dozier, who lead the team in scoring at 13.4 points per game, was named the NJAC Rookie of the Year and was also a First-Team selection while junior center Jerome Trawick (13.2 points, 8.4 rebounds per game) was chosen Second-Team.

Women's Basketball

The Red Hawks closed out the regular season with a 61-57 triumph at The College of New Jersey and sought their second Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference Metro Tournament berth in three years after posting a 13-11 overall record. Freshman center Ebony Allen was named MSU's first New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Rookie of the Year since Wykemia Kelley in 1996 after pacing MSU with 15.7 points per game. She also was named First Team All-NJAC. Senior center Jasmine Batts was second on the squad with 14.7 points per game and led the Red Hawks with 7.6 rebounds per game. Batts also joined the MSU career 1,000-point club, attaining the mark with an 18-point performance in a victory against New Jersey City University. Montclair started the season with three straight wins, winning the Ford Friendship Tournament while later placing fifth in the San Diego Surf n' Slam.

Indoor Track and Field

Senior Tierra Hicks (400 meters) and the men's 1,600 relay team of Paul Noel, Darryl Louis, Alex Torres Ed Hamilton each earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division III Championships in Indiana in March. The men finished third while the women were fourth in their respective divisions of the 2003 New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Championships. Hicks and freshman Hashan Johnson (long jump) set new NJAC records in their events and were named to the 2002-03 NJAC Women's All-Conference First Team. Junior Darryl Louis was named the Co-Outstanding NJAC Male Track Athlete, as well as men's First Team All-Conference (200 meters, 400 meters) along with the men's 1,600 relay team. The entire men's team also won its second straight Collegiate Track Conference championship.

Swimming and Diving

Montclair State concluded its 2002-03 swimming and diving campaigns at the Metropolitan Championships (Mets). The women finished fifth out of 19 schools with 262 team points, while the men came in seventh among 17 schools with 220 team points. The men also went 6-5 in dual meets, while the women were 8-5 overall and 2-2 in New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) competition. Sophomore Colleen Griffin finished fifth in the 50-yard freestyle at the Mets in 24.84 seconds. Her time was .01 seconds behind her school record mark set in November in a victory against Adelphi, when she earned NJAC Swimming Performer of the Week accolades. Sophomore Monique Fallaha finished third in the one-meter dive at the Mets, scoring a 353.25 in the finals, and senior Regina Potocine finished seventh in the 200-yard butterfly (2:17.91 minutes). Senior Eddie Fernandez came in eighth in the 200-yard breaststroke (2:17.17), and sophomore Shane Schwarz placed fifth in the 200-yard butterfly (2:02.40).

Wrestling

Montclair State put together another solid wrestling season with a fourth-place finish at the National Collegiate Athletic Association Division III Wrestling Championships in Ada, Ohio in March. It was the 17th time MSU finished in the Top 10 at the NCAA Tournament. Senior Rami Ratel capped off an amazing season as he won the 149-pound NCAA Championship and was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the Championships. Ratel was one of five MSU wrestlers to earn All-American honors. Eduard Aliakseyenka finished as the runner-up at 174 pounds with Dennis Gaul placing fourth at 184 pounds. Seniors Bill Deniz and Gary Mikolay each placed eighth at 165 and 133 pounds, respectively. Montclair also was awarded as one of the top 20 "Scholar Teams" by the National Wrestling Coaches Association and had three members named Academic All-America (Deniz, Aliakseyenka and Azat Nogoumanov). The Red Hawks went 13-4 as a team in dual matches during the season, including Head Coach Steve Strellner's 200th career victory at Montclair State.

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CAMPUS NEWS

Professor receives third Fulbright

Mary Call of Linguistics has received a Fulbright Scholar grant to lecture on education and second language acquisition at Comenius University in Bratislava.

This is the third Fulbright for Call, whose research over the years has focused on second language acquisition and psycholinguistics, the study of language and the mind. Her first Fulbright in 1976 took her to Greece where she taught English and trained English teachers at the University of Ioannina, and a second in 1995 brought her to Mexico where she lectured at two universities in Guadalajara, the Universidad del Valle De Atemajac (UNIVA) and the Universidad Panamericana sede Guadalajara.

Before she headed to Bratislava in February, she returned to Guadalajara on a Global Education grant to learn more about a bilingual program at a preparatory high school affiliated with UNIVA. During her three-week visit, Call offered workshops to faculty on language instruction, technology in language instruction, and materials preparation and adaptation. She also presented information about Montclair State's programs to students who may be interested in an exchange experience. Her last visit to Mexico resulted in four graduate students from UNIVA enrolling in Montclair State's M.A. program in applied linguistics.

For more than 30 years Call has delved into the mysteries of how languages are acquired. She is one of approximately 800 Fulbright recipients from the United States this year who will travel to about 140 countries.

Students win Sokol Chemistry Awards

For many years, the generosity of alumna Margaret Sokol '38 has been seen and felt throughout campus. From the seminar room in Science Hall to scholarships, fellowships and a lecture series, Sokol has enhanced the lives of faculty, students and all members of the campus community. Seven freshmen and one faculty member were added to the long list of beneficiaries when this year's recipients of the Margaret and Herman Sokol Freshman Chemistry Awards and the Sokol Faculty Fellow Award were announced.

Duke Ophori of the Department of Earth and Environmental Studies received the 2002 Faculty Fellow Award. This year's Freshman Chemistry Awards went to Manasse Mbaja, Alyssa Calabro, Christian Dries, Laura Duffy, Kerri Flanagan, Benjamin Glaz and Victor Geraldo.

Both programs are named after Sokol and her late husband, Herman '37, a research chemist and industrialist. He served as president of Bristol-Myers Company from 1976 until his retirement in 1981.

The Freshman Chemistry Scholarship Program, begun in 1991, provides a $1,000 scholarship to each of the recipients. "We are grateful that she has chosen to invest in the future of some of our brightest and most promising students. Her husband was a giant in the pharmaceutical industry in New Jersey, and we can hope that some of these awardees will follow his lead," said Professor Jack Isidor, chair of the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry.

The Faculty Fellow Award, established in 1990, provides faculty from the College of Science and Mathematics with the opportunity for professional advancement, study and travel, and includes a $25,000 grant.

Since joining Montclair State in 1995, Ophori has focused his research on the application of hydrogeological techniques and principles to solutions of environmental problems. On one project he teamed up with scientists in Canada on research involving the disposal of high-level nuclear waste in the Canadian Shield. Another, for which he

Margaret Sokol '38 (seated left) and President Susan A. Cole (seated right), with this year's winners of the Margaret and Herman Sokol Freshman Chemistry Awards (standing from left) Victor Geraldo, Alyssa Calabro, Benjamin Glaz, Manasse Mbaja, Laura Duffy, Kerri Flanagan and Christian Dries.

received more than $100,000 from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, focused on groundwater contamination in Long Island.

He will use the grant money to purchase equipment and hire students to help him with two new research projects: one examining groundwater flow models in the lab and another focusing on the application of groundwater movement in petroleum exploration. He also will use some of the funds for travel to the Niger Delta in Nigeria to conduct research.

MSU Chamber Singers debut

The Montclair State Chamber Singers ensemble made its public debut in January at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center (NJPAC) in Newark at the American Roots Festival sponsored by the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. The newly formed ensemble also was featured in a symposium performance of "The Americanists" at the Newark Museum and will perform at the Prokofiev Festival in the spring. NJPAC has invited the Chamber Singers to return in 2004 as a featured ensemble for the Dvorak Festival and Symposium. Also debuting at NJPAC in February was music professor Robert Aldridge's "Leda and the Swan," a commission by the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. Performances of the seven-part tone poem also took place at the John Harms Center in Englewood and the Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank.

Rx for Success... Montclair State President Susan A. Cole and Rutgers President Richard L. McCormick get ready to sign an official agreement between the two universities in which students can earn a B.S. from Montclair State and a doctor of pharmacy degree from the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers. The program will enable highly qualified students to complete the required courses in a seven-year sequence: three years of undergraduate study in the Department of Biology and Molecular Biology or the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at Montclair State, and four years of study in the professional phase of the doctor of pharmacy program at Rutgers.

"The innovative joint program is an example of what leading New Jersey institutions of higher education can achieve when they combine their resources, their splendid faculties and academic programs, and their commitment to a future of educational excellence," said Cole. "A prosperous future for New Jersey demands a well-educated, highly trained workforce and this cutting-edge program will help meet that demand."

Looking on at the signing, from left, are Montclair State students Mike Cook, Miguel Carreno, Brookshield Laurent, Yi Ran Lim, Kristina Znatnaja and Jeffrey Schonfeld, and Robert Prezant, dean of MSU's College of Science and Mathematics, and Michael Kruge, associate dean. More information about the program is available at www.montclair.edu.

Museum videoconference is first in country

Montclair State students toured the American Museum of Natural History (AMNH) without having to cross the Hudson River. Montclair State became the first university in the country this fall to hold a videoconference with the AMNH when students in two separate classes took virtual field trips via teleconferencing.

The classes were taught by Rich Wolfson of the Department of Curriculum and Teaching and Dina Rosen of the Department of Early Childhood and Elementary Education.

"Scheduling limitations prevented my students from taking an actual field trip to the museum," said Rosen. "But by using videoconferencing technology, my students were able to visit the museum's Natural Science Center, a teaching exhibit designed to introduce children, teachers and the public to the ecology of New York City."

The University also successfully launched its first IP videoconference on the new NJEDge.net network during a recent Presidents Council meeting. NJEDge.net is New Jersey's first statewide high-speed Internet network. Ed Chapel, associate vice president for Information Technology, said NJEDge.net was created to serve the special needs of higher education and its communities, such as pre-K through 12 districts, public libraries and museums.

Art Gallery opens Gift Shop

The Metropolitan Museum of Art has one. The Louvre has one. Even the Montclair Art Museum has one. And now, the Montclair State University Art Gallery has one. What they have in common isn't a Van Gogh—it's a gift shop.

The University Art Gallery recently celebrated the grand opening of its gift shop. "Most galleries and museums have a gift shop and people are usually looking for one," said Teresa Rodriguez, acting director of the Art Galleries.

The gift shop is located in the front of the gallery in Life Hall. Items are displayed in large glass cases and call button alerts staff that a visitor is interested is making a purchase. "It's not our intention to overwhelm the gallery space because the artwork comes first and foremost," said Rodriguez.

Although the shop is in its early stages, Rodriguez has a clear vision as to its offerings. "All the items we'd like to sell are handmade by artists, and are unique and of high quality," she said. "We'd also like to relate the pieces we're selling to whatever exhibition we have going at the time."

Gina Capano and Michael Murphy in a scene from "Balm in Gilead"

'Balm in Gilead' chosen for regional showcase

The Theatre and Dance Department's fall production of "Balm in Gilead" was presented at the American College Theatre Festival's (ACTF) Regional Showcase in College Park, Md. The Montclair State production was one of five out of 172 productions selected to compete in the regional showcase.

The Lanford Wilson play is set in an all-night coffee shop on New York's upper Broadway where "the riffraff, the bums, the petty thieves, the scum, the lost, the desperate, the dispossessed, the cool" come together in a last desperate struggle for meaning and purpose in life. Adjudicators from the ACTF saw an on-campus October performance and met with the cast, designers, crew, director and others involved in the production.

"They gave an honest critique of the work," said Department Chair Eric Diamond. "Happily, they had positive things to say about the production. They admired the acting and the scenic, lighting, costume and sound design."

In addition, five Montclair State students competed in the National Irene Ryan Acting Scholarship Competition: seniors Robert Rivera, Gina Capano and Joe Palestina, nominated for their work in "Balm in Gilead," and senior Stephanie Colombino and freshman Colleen Finnegan, who performed in the fall production of "Picnic."

Competing for the National Barbizon Award for Design were senior Ingrid Proos for set design and senior Rob Sadowski for lighting design for their work on "Balm in Gilead" and senior Nick Troccoli for scenic design for his work on "Picnic."

International Summer Institutes

Don't have plans for the summer? Montclair State's Global Education Center is offering several International Summer Institutes designed by faculty with expertise and experience in the particular country. For more information about the following trips, call the Global Education Center at 973-655-4185.

Montclair in Shanghai:
Chinese Culture and Environment
Faculty director: Longxing Wei of Linguistics
May 15-July 1

Montclair in Madrid:
Intermediate and Advanced Spanish Language, Literature and Teaching Methodology
Faculty director: Edwin Lamboy of Spanish and Italian
June 29-Aug. 3

Montclair in Nice:
French Language and Civilization
Faculty director: Elizabeth Emery of French, German and Russian
July 2-Aug. 6

Montclair in Siena:
Italian Culture, History and Language
Faculty director: Vincenzo Bollettino of Spanish and Italian
July 24-Aug. 26

Global Education also is offering two international study programs:

Montclair in London:
Shakespeare in Performance
Faculty director: Susan Kerner of Theater and Dance
July 19-Aug. 2

Montclair in Tropical Australia:
Environmental Education Eco-Tour
Faculty director: Jacalyn Willis, director of Professional Resources in Science and Mathematics
July 27-Aug. 27

ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni urged to oppose cuts to higher education in New Jersey

Gov. James E. McGreevey's proposed budget for fiscal year 2004 slashes the direct state appropriation to higher education by 14 percent. This cut is on top of a budget cut of 7 percent last year. These draconian cuts further diminish the already low support the state provides to its public colleges and universities.

Alumni are urged to contact their legislators and implore them to restore funding to the state colleges and universities.

For the name and address of legislators in your district, call the University's Office of Government Relations at 973-655-7648, or go to www.montclair.edu/govrel.

Trailblazers... Members of the 1977-78 women's basketball team recently returned to campus to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the team's trip to the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW)Final Four. Led by three-time All-American Carol Blazejowski, the Squaws (as the women's teams were known then) brought home a third place finish. To this day, Montclair State remains the only non-scholarship team to reach the women's college basketball tournament. The Athletic Department and the women's basketball program paid tribute to the team in a pre-game ceremony prior to a recent game against New Jersey City University. Pictured, from left, players Cathy Meyers O'Callahan, Pat Quilty, Blazejowski, Jill Jeffrey, who later was a Montclair State coach, Pat Fister Kowal, Alice Schmidt and Coach Maureen Wendelken. The team also will be honored at the Alumni Weekend dinner on May 3. (See page 19 for more information about Alumni Weekend.) Join in the celebration of this group of extraordinary athletes. A basketball signed by members of this historic team will be included in the silent auction during the evening portion of Alumni Weekend.

Web Advisory Committee to overhaul online community

Ernest Ackerman '67

In December, the Alumni Association's Online Community went dark in anticipation of a complete overhaul. Two alumni answered the call for volunteers to help oversee this endeavor.

Ernest Ackerman '67 is a professor of computer science at Mary Washington College in Fredericksburg, Va. He earned a B.A. in mathematics from Montclair State in 1967, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in mathematics from Pennsylvania State University in 1968 and 1974, respectively. He has served as director of academic computing, technical contact for Internet services, and the college's Web master. He conducts workshops and tutorials, and teaches courses on using, managing and providing Internet services. He has written and coauthored several textbooks about using the Internet including *Learning to Use the Internet and the World Wide Web*, *Internet and Web Essentials* and *Searching and Researching on the Internet and the World Wide Web*, as well as books on UNIX and the C programming language. Ackerman is a member of the Association for Computing Machinery, the Electronic Frontier Foundation and the American Association of University Professors. Visit his Web site at http://webliminal.com.

John Nordberg '98 has been employed by New York-based Pfizer, Inc. since graduating from Montclair State. He began working in the chemistry labs and, last year, was promoted to a management position. In the community, Nordberg volunteers as a mentor for area students, and lends some of his free time to the New Jersey Gay and Lesbian Coalition.

If you are interested in joining the Web Advisory Committee, please e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Volunteers needed for Financial Literacy Program

Montclair State Educational Opportunity Fund (EOF) counselors seek volunteers to develop a program that will help EOF students attain financial literacy during their years at MSU, giving them the tools to develop a sound financial future.

Professionals from banking, financial services, securities and real estate are needed to lead seminars for students about managing their personal finances. Workshops are held once a month throughout the academic year.

To volunteer your time and talent, call the Alumni Office at 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni @mail.montclair.edu.

The EOF program provides educationally and economically disadvantaged persons with the opportunity to attend colleges and professional schools in New Jersey.

College Central job network

Visit www.montclair.edu/alumni for a direct link to a new job board and mentoring network for alumni powered by College Central Network.

Employers wishing to hire students or alumni can post jobs at no charge once registered with and approved by Montclair State's Career Development Center.

For alumni looking for a job or those who would like to mentor students or fellow alumni, this site is a must-see.

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There is no charge for posting resumes or searching job listings.

For more information, call the Career Development Center at 973-655-5194.

Third annual superintendents networking breakfast

Those wishing to attend the third annual Superintendents Breakfast on Thursday, May 8, should send an e-mail to alumni@mail.montclair.edu. This informal gathering, held on campus in the Student Center Ballrooms, is an ideal way to share ideas and to network with other alumni superintendents.

Save the date

The MSUAA's Black Alumni Chapter invites all alumni, their families and friends to an all-day Family Cookout on Sunday, Sept. 7 at Forest Lodge in Warren. The 200-acre facility offers three swimming pools, large playing fields, amusements and an all-you-can-eat buffet. Watch the Web site for details or e-mail Chapter President Diane Ryales Gipson at drgip265@aol.com.

Class of 1953 to be honored at commencement

The Class of 1953 will be honored guests at the 2003 commencement on Friday, May 9, at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford. Celebrating the 50th anniversary of their own graduations, these alumni are invited to begin the day with breakfast at the Alumni House. The reunion class then will be taken to the arena, where they will be formally recognized during the commencement ceremony.

For more information, call Alumni Relations at 973- 655-4141 or check details at www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Destination graduation

The Alumni Association will join forces with the offices of Career Services and Student Activities to present seminars focusing on skills seniors need to launch themselves successfully upon graduation. Topics include office dress and behavior, managing personal finances and dining etiquette, as well as survival skills for moving back home.

Alumni who have employment opportunities to share should contact Career Services at 973-655-5194.

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

May 3: Alumni Weekend. Reception for recipients of Alumni Association scholarships

May 8: Superintendents Breakfast

May 9: 50+ Breakfast for Commencement 2003

May 12: Annual Golf Classic hosted by Athletics. Basking Ridge Country Club. Day's schedule includes a professional golf clinic, putting contest, buffet lunch, open practice range, 18 holes of golf and dinner. For information about cost and sponsorship opportunities, call Rob Chesney at 973-746-6347.

Vote Now for Alumni Association Executive Board

The annual meeting of the Montclair State University Alumni Association will be held Saturday, May 3. In accordance with the MSUAA bylaws, Article VII, balloting for officers and other members shall be by mail. All active members (those who have contributed to the Annual Fund since July 1, 2002) are eligible to vote. Officers of the Association are elected for a two-year term. Members at large are elected for a three-year term.

Please complete the following ballot and return it to Montclair State University Alumni Association, 1 Normal Avenue, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043. Ballots must be postmarked by April 25.

OFFICERS:

☐ Vice President, Membership and Programming, Pat Ackershoek '71
☐ Secretary, David M. Wertheim '79
☐ Assistant Treasurer, Elaine Yaccarino '88 '92 M.A.

MEMBERS AT LARGE:

☐ Paul Bershefski '98
☐ Antoinette Clay '80
☐ Margaret Hait '70 '76 M.A.
☐ George Iannacone '54 '59 M.A.
☐ Philip Kiernan '95
☐ Donna Popowich '85 '89 M.A. '92 M.Ed.
☐ Mary Santorella '89
☐ Carol Vivona '80 '85 M.A.
☐ James Wassel '73 '78 M.A.
☐ Valerie Winslow '95 '99 M.A.

☐ Check here to vote for this entire slate.

☐ Write-in Vote: ____________________

Name: ____________________ Graduation Year: __________

Signature: ____________________

Building the Future: Alumni Weekend 2003

Networks Scholarships Campus

On Saturday, May 3 Montclair State will **celebrate** a resource that continues to **change** the future...

...You!

"How are you doing?"
"What have you been up to?"
"You haven't changed a bit."

In fact, as teachers, parents, business leaders and volunteers, you've changed a lot. Come back to campus and reconnect with former classmates. (Call your Montclair State friends and plan to meet.) Join our growing alumni network and take a tour. Join us as we celebrate the difference each of you makes every day and our collective power to change lives. Don't worry that you won't know anyone. We promise you'll feel at home. You are Montclair State family.

9:30-11 a.m.
Latte and Tea. A special start to the day for two groups: alumni who graduated 50 or more years ago (our traditional "50+ Coffee") and alumni from 1992 to present. All alumni are welcome. Student Center Cafeteria.

11 a.m.-noon
Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association. Join the discussion about plans of the MSUAA. Student Center Cafeteria.

12:30-2:30 p.m.
Alumni Association Luncheon for All Alumni. The delectable meal with friends old and new is in itself a reason to participate, but you also will have the chance to meet President Susan A. Cole and hear about the vital role Montclair State plays in the future of New Jersey. All alumni are encouraged to join in honoring reunion classes and retiring faculty members. Student Center Ballrooms. Cost: $17.

2:30 p.m.
Campus Tours and Reception for Recipients of Alumni Association Scholarships. Life-transforming gifts from alumni to the Alumni Annual Fund have provided more than $500,000 in scholarships to more than 300 students over the last five years. Meet this year's recipients and families. Student Center Cafeteria.

6-11 p.m.
Dinner. We'll be celebrating members of classes ending in 3 and 8, graduates of the School of Business, friends of the Black Alumni Chapter, the 1977-78 women's basketball team and Panzer alumni. See old friends and meet new ones. There will be great food and music. The Alumni Citation Award will be presented and a silent auction will be held to fund the James E. Harris Book Scholarship. 6-7 p.m. cocktail hour with cash bar; 7-11 p.m. dinner with cash bar. Student Center Ballrooms. Cost: $40.

Baseball
There will be baseball all weekend as the New Jersey Athletic Conference Baseball Championship Games take place at Yogi Berra Stadium on Friday, May 2, at 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., and Saturday, May 3, at 11 a.m., 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. Enjoy the biggest tournament of the year in one of the best stadiums in the country.

Class Gifts
Alumni celebrating major reunions are invited to participate in a Class Gift that will benefit the renovation of the historic amphitheater. Help bring this corner of the campus back to its earlier prominence.

Parking for Alumni Weekend will be available in the Red Hawk Deck for a special rate of $5 if you pay in advance.

To register for Alumni Weekend or for more information about the weekend events, call the Alumni Association at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni for a registration form.

Dining at the Red Hawk... President Susan A. Cole joined members of the class of 1958 at the Red Hawk Diner as alumni from the classes of '43, '48, '53 and '58 spent the day on campus in March as a way of kicking off their reunion year celebration. Pictured from Cole's left clockwise are Rosalind Musmanno, Lucille Saccente, Mary Ann Piro and Sylvia Appel.

Notes from *Panzer*

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Fifteen members of the Panzer College Hall of Fame were honored by the Montclair State University Alumni Association at a halftime ceremony during the MSU vs. Rutgers-Newark basketball game on Jan. 29. Pictured are (back row, from left) Sportswriter Sid Dorfman, Herman Mopsick '40, Patricia Zaccone '56, Catherine Paskert '50, Rose Marie Battaglia '51, Florence Peragallo '49, Louis Peragallo '49, John Gardner '55, Bob Wolfarth '58, Robert Nichols '54, Harold Lefcourt '48, Montclair State President Susan A. Cole, Dean of the College of Education and Human Services Ada Beth Cutler (front row, from left) Alfred Marbaise '53, Frank Acocella '51, Victor Felano '53 '72 M.A., Paul Miller '56 '66 M.A., Vice President for University Advancement Gregory Waters.

"Pudge" Kinney Delaney '56 is strutting a proud step these days. Daughter Jill, a pastor with the Yakima Christian Mission in White Swan, Calif., was the organizer of the Yakima Valley International Human Rights Organization. Jill led a vigil Dec. 10 in conjunction with millions around the world praying for world peace and human rights.

Paul Miller '56 and **Corrine Wisniewski Miller '56** spent the winter in Colorado at their vacation home. There was plenty of white stuff for them to enjoy the great outdoors, whether it be hiking or skiing. What a great way to stay in shape.

Patricia Zaccone '56 was once again in the vacation mode. This time it was three weeks in Miami and a short casino visit to Freeport in the Bahamas. Pat and her sister enjoyed the escape from the hectic pace in New Jersey.

As for me, (**Lois Kelly**) while most head for the warmth in the winter, I head for the cold. I snowmobiled many miles in Yellowstone National Park and surrounding territory, and returned home long enough to scoop up the skis and snowshoes, and head for the Adirondacks and Vermont. I'm not about to let a record winter go to waste.

Doris Nielson Miller '57 and a longtime friend from high school accompanied Doris' daughter Paula on a trip to New Zealand. Paula is a veterinarian who attended a conference in New Zealand. With a wonderful New Zealand tour under their belts, the threesome headed for Australia in search of more adventure, and they found it.

Rosemary Lamb Groszman '57 can't resist Disney World. She made the annual trek to enjoy the sun, water, food and fun with Mickey and his pals. I wonder if there is a record holder for Disney World visits.

Try to keep up with **Luciann Keczmerski Slomkoski '57** and husband Ed? No way. This year they were off to Salt Lake City, toured the Northwest states to British Columbia, on to Vancouver to sail the Inside Passage to Alaska, returned to Seattle and back to South Carolina. They took off again to Boston where they met up with friends made during their honeymoon (many moons ago) and flew to Paris and had a terrific time. In their "spare time" Lu and Ed play tennis and golf. Ed also broadcasts a radio Polka show while Lu is active with many church-related groups.

Carol McKenzie McInnis '59 and husband Paul are overjoyed that their Prince Edward Island home has finally reached completion. Carol still teaches senior citizen fitness classes in North Caldwell and Livingston while Paul remains active with the New Jersey Devils and schedules high school hockey games.

Joann "Jonesy" LaVorgna '75 has been inducted into the New Jersey Lacrosse Foundation Hall of Fame for her contributions to women's high school lacrosse. Joann has been teaching and coaching at Summit High School for 25 years, during which time she was named New Jersey Coach of the Year. Adding to her achievements as a coach and player, Joann also is a member of the Montclair State Athletic Hall of Fame. Well done!

In Memoriam
Yolanda Heggen '28
Alma vom Steeg Titman '36
Stanley Poznann '36
William Hedrick '49
Audrey Daniels Gelston '53

Keep those letters coming. Send news for Notes from Panzer to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ, 07004 or e-mail Lois at ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Notes from Panzer" in the subject line.

CSAM Faculty Explores Opportunity for Research Facilities at Sandy Hook

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

It's been more than 100 years since Fort Hancock was established at Sandy Hook at the start of the Spanish American War. And while the 12,000 military personnel and civilians who populated the fort in 1945 are long gone, hopes are that the area once again will come alive, this time with faculty and students engaged in research and academic scholarship.

A major staging area for troops bound for Europe during World War II, Fort Hancock was deactivated in 1974 and transferred to the National Park Service as part of the Gateway National Recreation Area. Proposed redevelopment of the fort is under consideration and, if faculty members from the College of Science and Mathematics (CSAM) have their way, part of the site will become a field station for instruction and student/faculty research.

Sixteen faculty members and graduate students gathered with their counterparts from Rutgers University and Brookdale Community College to discuss the potential for a cooperative project that includes research and educational programs about the Sandy Hook-Raritan Bay-Hackensack watershed.

"Research topics covered an area extending from the freshwater drainage basins through the estuary, Sandy Hook spit and into the New York Bight," said CSAM Associate Dean Michael Kruge, who was a participant at the meeting. "We exchanged information regarding ongoing research, education and service activities and explored avenues for a broadly based cooperative program."

Redevelopment plans include refurbishing Fort Hancock's original 32 buff brick structures built in the late 1800s. "The facilities have fallen into disrepair, but they are historic and worth saving," Kruge said. "Plans are for the Park Service to engage in a public-private partnership to restore the buildings and refurbish the interior for modern usage while keeping the exterior true to the original [Colonial Revival] architecture."

While part of the facilities will be used for business and commercial ventures, Kruge said, one-third will be for nonprofit organizations. Among the groups currently located at Fort Hancock are the James J. Howard Marine Sciences Laboratory, home to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration; the Marine Academy of Science and Technology; a field station of Brookdale Community College; and the New Jersey Marine Science Consortium.

"Our goal is for some of the buildings to be used for research and teaching facilities by the three institutions," Kruge said. Meetings among the faculty have revealed several areas for collaboration. "There's a lot of common ground. Now we have to develop an attractive program and identify funding for it. Ultimately it will be the National Park Service that decides what will happen to the buildings," he said.

Russian Librarians See How Technology is Used in American Libraries

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

The frigid weather may have reminded them of home, but little else seemed familiar to five librarians from Russia who recently visited Montclair State this winter as part of the Library of Congress Open World Program.

The program is designed to bring Russian leaders to communities across the United States and expose them to American democracy and free enterprise in action. During intensive, short-term visits, participants learn about the responsibilities of, and interrelationships among, the three branches of government and how American private and nonprofit sectors help meet social and civic needs.

During this visit, Anna Romm, Olga Kovalchuk, Yelena Prosksuryakova, Marina Skryagina and coordinator Viktoriya Grichina spent a full day on campus where they were treated to a presentation on North American and academic librarianship by Judith Hunt, dean of Library Services; demonstrations of online resources by associate deans, lunch at the Red Hawk Diner with librarians and administrators; visits to each library department to talk about services and resources, as well as additional presentations by Peter Campbell of Information Technology.

Marina Cunningham, director of the Global Education Center who was instrumental in coordinating the visit, said Montclair State's participation in this program is significant, particularly since the University recently was selected by NAFSA: Association of International Educators as one of the 16 best universities for internationalization. "That really put us on the map," she said. "Being selected to participate in this program by such a prestigious organization as the Library of Congress reinforces our internationalization efforts."

For these librarians who come from small towns where the systems are not as technologically advanced, viewing facilities in the United States is an invaluable education. "This is an opportunity for them to learn about a mid-sized library," said Cunningham. "In addition, they can see how the community works with libraries, in the town and in the schools."

Pictured with Judith Lin Hunt, dean of Library Services (second from left) are the visiting librarians from Russia (from left) Marina Skryagina, Viktoriya Grichina, Yelena Proskuryakova, Anna Romm, Olga Kovalchuk and translator Helen Gellis.

Hunt believes the Russians will take home more than just information about library services. "What they're going to bring back is a personal sense about Americans from what they've experienced on a one-to-one basis," she said. "One of the things I hope comes through is our willingness to share and a sense that we're very open and giving."

Several faculty members and a resident of Montclair opened their homes to the librarians, providing them with a glimpse into the American way of life.

"It's much more of an American encounter to stay in host homes," explained Cunningham. "A lot of things we take for granted that we do every day is a new experience for them."

Although the program is designed to educate the Russian visitors, Montclair State will benefit as well. "Sometimes as Americans we have this idea that ours is the biggest and the best, when often there's a great deal to learn from visitors, even though they have fewer resources," Hunt said.

After spending time with the women, who toured the library with an interpreter, Hunt was surprised at how much they knew about modern day library technology.

"While they may not have the technology or the resources available to them, they are aware of the potential," she said.

Hunt also found that despite their many differences, they were able to relate to each other on one subject. "They were interested in talking about working with budgets."

Following the tour, the librarians admitted they were struck most by the sense of community on campus. "What impressed me is the close relationship between the library and the faculty and how it helps make the library the center of the University," Kovalchuk said.

"We're dreaming about better connections," added Skryagina. "American educational institutions work together to share information and resources to improve the academic process."

In addition to their educational experience at Montclair State, the librarians also enjoyed some local culture, including dinner and a concert at Trumpets Jazz Club in Montclair, and a visit to New York City where they were looking forward to enjoying pizza and seeing the Empire State Building.

That's Life

Compiled by Deborah Corasio and Sarah Holmes.

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Ella M. Haver was recognized for her leadership role in the Jennie Haver Memorial Scholarship Fund at a gala in Hunterdon County. The Fund, named for Hunterdon County "helping teacher" Jennie Haver, is now in its 46th year and has granted more than $700,000 in scholarships to 250 Hunterdon County high school students.

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George H. Stager '52 M.A. has had his second book published, *Alamo Phoenix*. His books, including *The Resolution*, can be viewed online at 1st books.com.

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J. Robert Parkinson '59 M.A. retired recently from a faculty position at Northwestern University in Illinois. Co-author of a book, *Becoming a Successful Manager*, he is active in the field of management and communication consulting.

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David M. Shotwell is serving as chief managing officer for the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association. In this role, he has computerized all business operations in one central office, including booking performers in the Ocean Grove Auditorium. Previously Shotwell was an instrumental music teacher in Bayville and Neptune for 30 years.

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Nando A. Amabile M.A. has authored a new thriller, *A Friendly Kill*. Information about the book can be found on the publisher's Web site, PublishAmerica.com.

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Warren Farrell recently appeared on "Donahue" and CBS's "Early Show." His most recent book, *Father and Child Reunion*, has led to his becoming an expert witness in helping fathers and mothers be equally involved with children after divorce.

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Harold M. Kessler '80 M.A. is retiring from his position as the Summit school district business administrator after a 21-year career. Kessler is now director of transportation and information services with the Morris-Union Jointure Commission.

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Thomas S. Goode has been instrumental in reviving and expanding the Aspen (Colo.) high school football program.

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Denton Phillips M.A. was honored recently for 40 years of active service to the Bergen County Players. In the fall he directed "Pinocchio" at the Little Firehouse Theatre in Oradell.

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Angelo J. Genova has joined the National Conference for Community and Justice—N.J. Region Board of Directors. Genova has practiced labor and employment law since 1978, and since 1989 he has been cited in every edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* in the labor and employment law category.

John A. Gilbert, Jr. M.A., a former consultant for Diversity Curriculum Development for Elizabeth public schools, is an adjunct lecturer in history and contemporary civilization at Bronx Community College of the City University of New York.

Lydia Lehmbeck is teaching watercolors, drawing and composition at the Bloomfield Art League, one of the oldest art organizations in New Jersey. Lehmbeck has studied with many well-known artists and at the Art Students League in New York.

Ellyn A. McColgan has been named president of the Boston-based Fidelity Investments brokerage group, which oversees the firm's core business with retail customers and handles nearly $700 billion in assets. McColgan is now one of Fidelity's highest-ranking woman executives.

Douglas Rallo's article, "Insurance Write-Offs and the Collateral Source Rule," was published in the September 2002 edition of *Trial* magazine, the journal of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America. Another article, "No Cure Yet For Spoliation of Patient Records," published by the Chicago Bar Association, has been cited in the 2002 annual pocket parts of Volume 18, section 31 of Illinois Law and Practice and 735 Illinois Compiled Statutes Annotated, Section 5/13 – 212.

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John Canella has been appointed director of the industrial services group for real estate services company Insignia/ESG, where he will be responsible for the northern New Jersey industrial market.

Michael A. Kaufman and his wife Suzanne have opened a music school, the Music Garden, in Cherry Hill. The school, which can accommodate 700 students, includes a public performance space and regular weekly coffeehouses featuring local and regional performers.

Diane Nahass Koodray, a senior pharmaceutical executive, recently joined Shaw Science Partners (Atlanta, Ga.) as vice president for Client Services. Koodray will be responsible for working with Shaw's northeast-based pharmaceutical clients.

Robert W. Preston, Jr., CEO of MultiMedia Healthcare/Freedom at Princeton Meadows Office Center, has introduced a free magazine distributed nationwide through CVS Pharmacies, *Family Health Matters: A Women's Guide to Family Medicine*.

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Donald G. Hardman has joined DRS Technologies, Inc. as corporate treasurer at its Parsippany headquarters. DRS is a supplier of defense electronic systems to government and commercial markets.

Katherine J. Knittel, an executive board member of the Music Educators Association, teaches voice, piano and guitar, and frequently performs as a soloist. In October, she performed an aria from "Sampson and Delilah" at St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Wayne. Knittel is a past winner and judge of the PNC Arts Center Talent Expo.

John J. Palatucci '91 M.A. is celebrating his 13th year as music director of the Orpheus Club, a men's glee club now in its 93rd year. Palatucci also has been a guest conductor with many local and regional choral groups.

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Diane Emily Krown Castellucci has created an educational program called The Reptile Show that seeks to educate children about reptiles, amphibians and other wonders of nature.

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Daniel Furnald has been appointed east coast regional sales director at DocuWare Corporation, a Newburgh, N.Y.-based document imaging software company. Furnald has been involved with document management for more than 15 years and continues to pursue his interests in music, running and history.

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Patricia Hahner Ortlieb, a clinical nutrition manager at St. Joseph's Hospital in Wayne, was awarded the Clinical Manager of the Year Award from Sodexho USA at a special ceremony in December.

Erica Charles presents the award to Patricia Hahner Ortlieb

Nancy Benson Georgette '98 M.A. '03 M.A., a vice president at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School in Elizabeth, was included in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2002*.

Patricia Niemi Meredith M.A. is vice president of operations at Gibbs College in Montclair. Prior to her appointment, Meredith was director of special projects and president of the college's Piscataway campus.

Aileen Galianese McCormick has been named president and chief operating officer of AMERIGROUP's Houston-area health plan. She brings to AMERIGROUP more than 12 years of increasingly responsible health care management experience in the Houston area.

Michael W. Price has been working as a television comedy writer in Los Angeles for several years and most recently started working as a writer and supervising producer on "The Simpsons."

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Patricia A. Buchanan M.A. is teaching watercolors, drawing and composition at the Bloomfield Art League, one of the oldest art organizations in New Jersey. Buchanan is a professional artist, instructor and retired Montclair High School art teacher.

Frederick F. Hill, Jr. is an assistant coach at Villanova University and has been recruiting for college basketball for 22 seasons throughout New Jersey, New York and Pennsylvania.

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Ronald N. Herring, Jr. has been appointed general manager of safety products division for Mine Safety Appliances Company in Pittsburgh, Pa. In his new position, Herring will be responsible for all research and development, marketing and manufacturing at MSA's nine North American Safety Products Division locations.

Ronald N. Herring, Jr.

Thomas Schwarz has been hired as chief financial officer of Schiller-Pfeiffer, Inc., manufacturers of Mantis and Little Wonder lawn and garden power equipment. Schwarz will be responsible for leading the financial aspects and information technology initiatives in the U.S. and European facilities.

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John Rights '00 M.A. is working as an applicant assistance specialist for the Mortgage and Rental Assistance Task Force for the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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Diane J. Battersby M.A. was the featured entertainer at a December luncheon for the Presbyterian Women of the First Presbyterian Church in Verona. Battersby is an international award-winning pianist and has performed throughout the U.S. and Europe.

Chrisian F. Sorensen has been named director of the Reading Health Dispensary, a major outpatient satellite of the Reading Hospital and Medical Center in Reading, Pa.

Janet M. Zicarelli has joined the firm Hoagland, Longo, Moran, Dunst and Doukas, LLC in New Brunswick.

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Staci Albala Braddock is a managing television editor for Baseline/FilmTracker, a division of Hollywood Media Corporation in Santa Monica, Calif.

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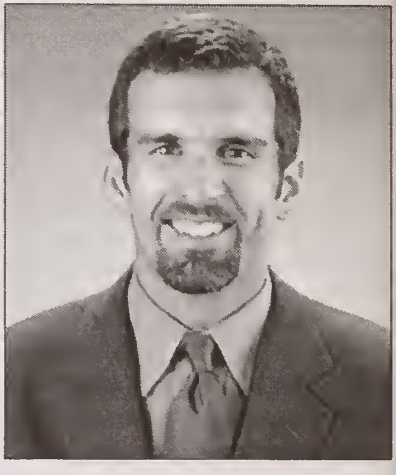
Thomas M. Federico has been elected to membership in the law firm of Stites & Harbison, a regional firm with offices in Nashville, Tenn. Federico focuses his practice on commercial and e-commerce transactions, and licensing for tech and non-tech clients with intellectual property issues.



Thomas M. Federico

Stephen W. Bienskie was inducted into the Montville Township High School Hall of Fame in October. Bienskie has appeared on Broadway in "Cats" in the role of Rum Tum Tugger and was a previous recipient of the Helen Hayes Award for best actor of the season at the Kennedy Center for his role as Cal in "The Fix."

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Stephen W. Belof has joined the consulting department of Altara as customer relationship management practice manager. Altara is a national company providing implementation, training and consultation to small and mid-size companies deploying new business applications. Belof will be working out of the company's Cedar Knolls office.

Kevin P. Carolan has been active in the acting community with numerous stage, film and television credits. He recently appeared as Charlie in the play "Dirty Blonde" at the George Street Playhouse in New Brunswick, a role he also performed at Montclair State University's TheatreFest and on Broadway.

Howard "Chip" Hyde, Jr., a CPA and manager with the Videre Group, LLC in Parsippany, was appointed manager of Community Business Services. Hyde will oversee the engagements of more than 200 small business clients in sales of up to $10 million per year.

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John K. Zuzeck, Jr. has been named a "Friend of the Hackensack River." Zuzeck was honored for his work as a water quality enforcement official for the Northeast Bureau of the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection.

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Gary McCarthy was inducted into the Elmwood Park Hall of Fame for his many successes in competition bowling.

Theresa A. Lyons has joined the firm of Drinker, Biddle & Shanley in Florham Park.

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Beth Budelman Downey has been appointed media director of the South Orange-based Scheer Advertising Group/Norman J. Stevens Advertising Agency, Inc. Downey will be responsible for the creation, implementation and management of strategic media plans for the agency's clients.

Ilene J. Palent M.A. is a state-certified HIV clinical specialist and oversees the HIV/AIDS support group at the COPE Counseling Center of Montclair and Verona, the area's oldest HIV counseling program.

Robert J. Peuso has been promoted to vice president at NorCrown Bank in Livingston. He also will retain his position as regional manager.

Roberto N. Alvarez is working as a mental health professional at the Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System.

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John G. Briguglio has been promoted to audit manager in the Roseland office of J.H. Cohen, LLP.

Suzana Loncar M.A. has joined the firm of Norris, McLaughlin & Marcus, PA, specializing in commercial litigation.

Linda A. Sefick M.A. joined the faculty of St. Anne's School in Baltimore, Md. as a full-time middle school learning and reading specialist. Sefick has been an educator for more than 15 years in a variety of schools, including the Khartoum American School in the Sudan in Africa.

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R. Schott Kushner M.A. has been appointed director of the Lafayette Library in New York State. Previously Kushner was reference librarian at Onondaga County Central Library in Syracuse and a librarian and outdoor educator in New Jersey for 10 years.

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Kimberly A. Kerkowski teaches mathematics in Dumont.

Jody S. Riger has joined the firm Proskauer, Rose, LLP in Newark and is specializing in labor and employment law.

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Mary Ann Wiarda was promoted to assistant vice president of benefits and human resources information systems at Selective Insurance Group, Inc., based in Branchville. Wiarda joined Selective in 1991 as an internal auditor and has been responsible for employee benefits since 1997.

Kimberly Intrabartolo McGillin is an assistant vice president of Valley National Bank in Wayne where she is responsible for accounting and reportage of subsidiaries, maintaining fixed assets accounts and preparing financial statements.

Gale M. Richter was named Essex County Volunteer 2002 by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse for her work as chairwoman of the South Orange Municipal Alliance. As chairwoman, Richter writes grant requests, oversees programs in the schools and takes care of the administrative tasks with the alliance.

Kelly J. Stackowicz parlayed her summer job in college as a horse groomer into a successful career in harness racehorse training. Stackowicz has opened her own stable and spent time working for Pfizer as a sales representative in its equine pharmaceuticals division. She has trained horses that have won 14 races and earned more than $200,000 in purses.

Kelly J. Stackowicz

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Sean B. Campbell has joined the firm of Wilentz, Goldman and Spitzer based in Eatontown and Woodbridge.

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Donna M. Antoniello has been promoted to marketing manager at Gianettino and Meredith Advertising, Inc. of Short Hills. Antoniello has been with the agency for three years and has helped to implement primary and secondary research for all clients.

Donna M. Antoniello

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Minnie E. Hiller M.A. received the New Jersey Army National Guard Outstanding Family Readiness and Support Award from Governor James E. McGreevey in October. Hiller is the state Family Program coordinator for the Army National Guard, working with families of those in the Guard, making them aware of the services available and helping them understand the demands on their loved ones in the service.

Gov. James E. McGreevey with Minnie E. Hiller

Matthew S. Steinfort is in his second year as a full-time certified teacher at Willingboro High School. Steinfort enjoys the daily interaction with students and the opportunity to witness the growth and development of students.

02

Chantel M. Paul's photographs were showcased in an exhibit at the Sussex County Arts and Heritage Council featuring art education. The exhibit, "Pentimento VIII: The Paul Family Exhibition of Fine Art," was held at the Public Gallery in Newton and featured a variety of artworks by members of the Paul family.

News from physical education alumni

Alumni gathered at the 84th annual convention of the **New Jersey Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance** (NJAHPERD), Feb. 2-3 in New Brunswick. Faculty member Tim Sullivan brought back the following news:

Mary Eleanor Bradley '68 has been teaching physical education in East Brunswick for 34 years, as well as officiating in field hockey for 30 years.

Larry DeCaro '68 '76 M.A. is completing 32 years at Pascack Valley High School, teaching physical education and family life. DeCaro recently was listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* and named Bergen County Girls Cross Country Coach of the Year.

Maureen Graham '68 is having fun and completing 35 years of teaching physical education and health in the Woodcliff Lake school district.

Anita Blomberg '69 retired from the Montclair public school district after 33 years as a physical education and family life/health teacher.

Linda Pallack '69 is celebrating 34 years teaching physical education in Upper Saddle River and still loving it.

Barbara Stillwell DeCaro '70 '77 M.A. is completing 32 years at Pascack Hills High School, teaching physical education and family life education. DeCaro recently was chosen for *Who's Who Among America's Teachers* and is an adviser to the Peer Mediation and the Habitat for Humanity student groups.

Donna Heilman Hamer '82 M.A. teaches adaptive physical education in the East Brunswick Public Schools.

Rob Tomesko '01 has been teaching for two years in Paterson at PS #24, coached soccer for six years at Don Bosco Technical High School in Paterson, and most recently coached football at Bayley-Ellard High School in Madison.

Krista Occhiuto '01 has been teaching physical education and health at the Ramsey Middle School and at the Eric Smith Middle School in Ramsey.

Bryan Williams '01 is teaching physical education and health at the S. E. Shull School in Perth Amboy and is also coaching track and field.

Alumna's Gift Creates Library Technology Room

The world was full of modern marvels when Charlotte Spohrer McKenzie was a student at Montclair State in the late '20s: Lindy flew solo across the Atlantic, movies had learned to talk and summer vegetables were available "fresh from the freezer" any month of the year. But McKenzie probably never imagined a classroom in which the instructor can control 30 computers from a podium and students can send their work to classmates with a touch of a button. She certainly could have never envisioned a time when computer-based resources, like searchable databases, electronic texts and CD-ROMs would become as much a part of modern libraries as card catalogs, books and periodicals were when she attended Montclair State.

Charlotte Spohrer McKenzie pictured in the 1931 yearbook.

This semester Sprague Library opened the Charlotte Spohrer McKenzie Online Classroom named after the woman whose generosity made it possible. McKenzie, who passed away Dec. 18, 1999, may not have realized the potential of her gift when she decided more than a decade ago to make a bequest to Sprague Library as a way of expressing her appreciation for the education she received here and the friend she had in then president Harry Sprague.

"Dr. Harry Sprague was a fine gentleman and a good friend when I was a student at Montclair State Teachers College," McKenzie had written in a letter to the University. "My bequest to the Sprague Library is my way of expressing appreciation for the fine education I received. The faculty and administration were great."

McKenzie graduated from Montclair State in 1931 followed by a successful 21-year teaching career in schools in New Jersey and Massachusetts.

McKenzie's close friend and attorney Al Robinson said McKenzie had a passion for teaching. "She absolutely loved it," he said. "She especially loved working with the students."

No doubt future teachers will be among the many students whose educations will benefit from the McKenzie Room.

Equipped with 30 Dell computers and individual desks, the room also has laptop connections and wireless capabilities. The COMWEB instructional podium gives the instructor full control of all the computers and allows the students to send their work to the instructor and other students.

The room will allow students to learn how to use the online catalog, online databases and how to search for information on the Internet.

Plans also are underway for instruction for alumni groups interested in learning more about navigating online resources.

That's Life

Engagements

Tracy Adkins '93 to Michael Thibodeau. A May 2003 wedding is planned.

Jennifer Kibbel '93 to David Sprinzen. An August 2003 wedding is planned.

Matthew J. Stuehler '93 to Tracey Ann Kiley. A September 2003 wedding is planned.

Angela Linford '97 to Russell Manning. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

Jill Marie Filipovsky '98 '02 M.A. to David Levesque. A July 2004 wedding is planned.

Timothy Greaux '00 to Kristen Novack. A November 2003 wedding is planned.

Danielle Scipioni '00 to **Daniel Kroncke '99.** An August 2003 wedding is planned.

Marriages

Celeste Ann Peterson '89 to Mark A. Sloss on Nov. 16, 2002
Rae Anne Hughes '90 to Steven Pavlovic on Nov. 8, 2002
Mary Jean Pierson '97 to Matthew B. Farlie on Oct. 26, 2002
Cindy Pozarycki '99 to **Carmine Covello Jr. '00** on July 14, 2002
Joseph Montagna '99 to **Janine Koval '02** on Oct. 12, 2002
Jeanine Resnick '00 to Brian Perlman on July 27, 2002
Salvatore Gambino '01 M.S. to Kristen Noel Carey on June 1, 2002

Births

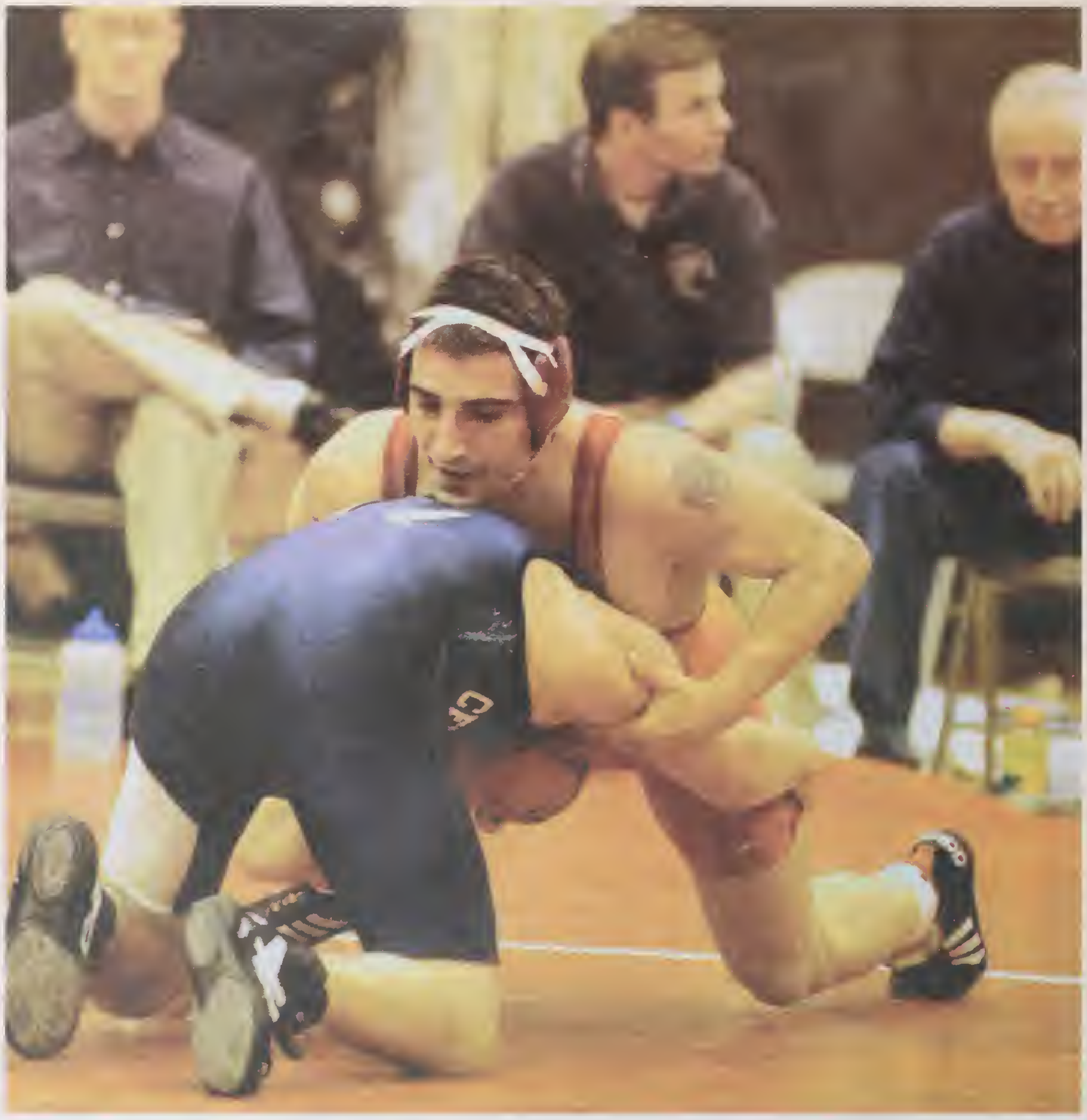
To **Allen M. Garth '88** and Geovana Garth, a son, Matthew David, on Aug. 18, 2002
To **Joseph Cheevers '90** and Amy Cheevers, a daughter, Emily Marie, on July 9, 2002
To **Deborah DeAngelis '91** and **Michael DeAngelis, Jr. '91**, a son, Michael III, on Aug. 6, 2002
To **Irene Vitale Dedio '91** and Sam Dedio, a son, Samuel Christopher, on Dec. 19, 2002
To **Mimi Halkowich Murphy '92** and Timothy Murphy, a son, Jack Louis, on Nov. 9, 2002
To **Daniel J. Rice, Jr. '93** and Shannon Rice, a son, Zachary Tyler, on Sept. 5, 2002
To **Gary J. Borges '94** and Mary Lynn Borges, a daughter, Carly Elizabeth, on June 5, 2002
To **Lois Gismondi DiClemente '96** and **Anthony DiClemente '94**, twins, a son, Ethan, and a daughter, Emma on Jan. 23, 2003

In Memoriam

Stella Schnell McKenna '15
Alberta Hofmann Mackey Seidewitz '22
Rosalye Focarino Galanti '26
Florence Holcombe Hampton '28
Jessie Kaufman Jacobs '32
Max Shapiro '32
Ruth Babcock Maddison '35 '39 M.A.
William A. Helstrom '36 '39 M.A.
Pearl Hilton Shapiro '36 '43 M.A.
Henry G. Zinn '38 '49 M.A.
Lottie Rucki Lelek '39 '43 M.A.
Doris French Garrison '40
Joseph J. Sott '40 '41 M.A.
Howard W. Bornholm '43
Helaine Levine Lipinsky '48
Sally Fleming Degelmann '49
Joan B. Libbey '50 '55 M.A.
Tunis Bello '51 M.A.
James White '57 '59 M.A. '61 M.A.
John J. (Jack) Speary '58
Robert "Llewellyn" Thomas '63 M.A.
Barbara Carr Kerr '67
Elinor W. Owens '68
Joseph R. McAllister '71
Eunice R. Healey '76
Carol Quinlivan Napier '77
Roland B. Harris '78
Pamela Sellers '79
Rina G. Spano '82
Ellen B. Crystall '82 M.A.
Fred Michael Perone '84
Robert C. Lombardi '85
Amanda Williams-Thompson '90

Alumni can send information about engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births to Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu. All information must be submitted within six months of the event and include expected date of marriage for "Engagements," the wedding date for "Marriages" and the date of birth for "Births." Anniversaries in five-year increments from the 25th anniversary on will be published. All submissions must include a name and telephone number for verification. Photos are welcome, but cannot be returned unless accompanied by a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Chi Kappa Mixer... In December, members of Chi Kappa Xi held a weekend reunion mixer with their brother fraternity, Omega Chi. Both organizations were chartered in the 1960s. Nancy Maurer Muddell '70 organized the reunion, held at the White Sands Resort in Point Pleasant. Pictured from Omega Chi are (at left from bottom) Steve Kehayes '68, Bill Stanton '70, Nunzie Amoresano '68, Dennis Marchelle '68, Paul Perna '69, Lou Peirano '68, Phil Perello '68, Barry Lavorgna '68 and Ken Osean '68. Pictured from Chi Kappa Xi are (in front, from left) Mary Levchik '74, Laura Staluppi '74, Ellen Sekuler '70, Lois Schneider '70, Pat Morgano '70, (on staircase in front) Barbara DiAnthony '71, Michele DeBlasio '70, Nancy Maurer '70, Eileen Quinn '70, Judy LaFauci '70, Nancy Bonerigo '70, Suzanne Dougan '72 (in back), Nancy Rush '70, Linda Adams '71, Barbara Osieck '71, Marion Furci '70 and Maria Fontanazza '71.



Senior Rami Ratel capped off an amazing wrestling season when he won the 149-pound NCAA Division III Championship and was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler. Ratel finished the season 39-0, the first Red Hawk to put together an undefeated campaign since Jim Sloan in 1993.

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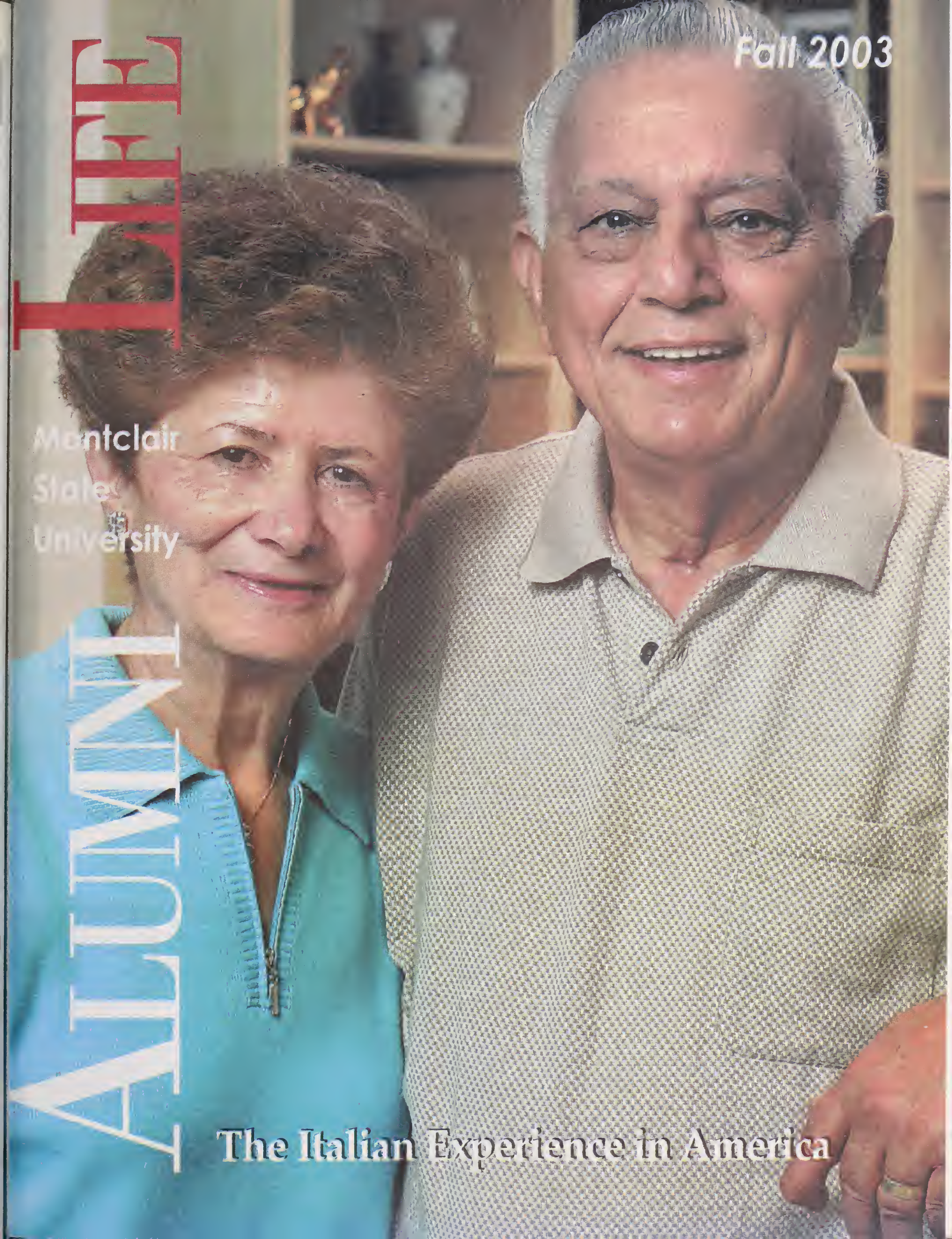

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The Inside TRACK

Susan A. Cole
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Public higher education in New Jersey does not have a proud record. Government appropriation for higher education per capita is $225, compared, for example, to California, where it is $330, or Mississippi, where it is $313. Not surprisingly, average tuition for four-year public colleges in New Jersey is $5,607; in California, $2,561; and in Mississippi, $2,967.

From 2000 to 2010, the number of New Jersey students graduating from high school is expected to increase by 20.4 percent, and already the number of New Jersey high school graduates who go to college outside the state is more than 20,000 per year. The lack of adequate facilities is a major reason students leave for other states; and if New Jersey can't educate its own citizens now, what will we do in 2010?

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole addressed this vexing problem in a recent issue of *New Jersey Reporter*, a journal of public issues published by the Public Policy Center of New Jersey. Her thoughtful essay is so compelling we decided to include it in its entirety in this issue of *Alumni Life*. "Capacity, Funding, Governance: What Really Needs to Be Fixed in the Public Higher Education System" is a must-read—you will find it as a special pullout section in the center.

—*The Editor*

Wow…summer is coming to an end and here I am writing to you for the fall issue of *Alumni Life*. Time flies. Maybe our motto should be tempus fugit, rather than carpe diem. This letter is going to take the form of a set of ramblings, as that is the kind of mood I am in today.

Commencement was wonderful. It was such a pleasure to look out at smiling faces. Former Montclair State President Irvin D. Reid was an honorary degree recipient and it was a grand occasion to welcome him back. One statement Reid made is the theme I embrace here: "Remember…send money."

I know what you're thinking. "Here is the Alumni Association asking for money again." Well, I make no apologies for it. We have been able to accomplish many wonderful things thanks to the generosity of our alumni. For instance, in 2004 we will hand out $80,000 in scholarships. In the past three years, alumni have been responsible for $500,000 in scholarships to more than 300 students. How? Because of alumni generosity.

We have given more than $225,000 to Montclair State President Susan A. Cole for the restoration of the amphitheater. How? Because of alumni generosity.

On Nov. 3, we will host a career fair for alumni. How? Because of alumni generosity.

We are putting the finishing touches on our online community. How? Because of alumni generosity.

Get the picture? That's right, send money. You send it and we will put it to work helping students, alumni and the University.

Changing gears…we had a great Alumni Weekend. More than 600 people attended the day's activities, which included the 50+ breakfast, annual meeting, scholarship awards reception, cocktail reception and dinner. The Black Alumni Chapter's silent auction was a great success, raising $1,600 for the James Harris Book Scholarship Fund. David Wertheim did a great job of honoring the 1978 women's basketball team.

We danced, ate and drank the night away. If you were not there, plan now to attend next year. Mark your calendar for a great time on May 1.

It has been a grand first year as president of the Alumni Association. I have been contacted by classmates whom I have not seen in 20 years, met many new friends and, to put it simply, had a ball. I cannot wait for the upcoming year.

Finally, I want to issue a special welcome to our new vice president for University Advancement, Dr. Thomas Haynes. He will help us grow in ways that we have only begun to imagine. (Read more about Haynes on page 12.) Be a part of that growth. Get involved.

As I said in the beginning, tempus fugit…and for you all, carpe diem.

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
President
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Letter to the Editor

Alumnus looks back 60 years

Dear Editor:

Sixty years ago on March 5, 1943, the male population of Montclair State Teachers College virtually disappeared. The 103 of us who had been sworn into the Army in the Enlisted Reserve Corps in the autumn of 1942 had received our orders to report to Fort Dix that day for induction into active duty in World War II. We constituted probably 90 percent of the men on campus that winter. Many of us were placed in the Army Air Force and, after a short stay at Dix, found ourselves on a train bound for basic training at Miami Beach, after which we were dispersed to various technical training schools to become part of the AAF operations in Europe, the Pacific and some of us stateside for the "duration of the war plus six months," as the enlistment read.

The Enlisted Reserve Corps promised three things when we signed up. We were guaranteed not to be drafted, to be allowed to finish the fall 1942 semester at Montclair State and to have our choice of the branch of service. The promises were kept, and the mass exodus from college took place in the spring semester.

When the orders arrived, a general assembly was held in the old gym with the entire student body in attendance. The faculty and student leaders bade us farewell. Dr. Charles Hadley led the singing. The songs were enthusiastically rendered. At the conclusion of the program, the 103 of us marched out of the gym first, not knowing when or if we would get back to the college again. Many of us returned some three years later to earn our degrees. A few did not. To say it was an emotional moment is a gross understatement. I don't believe there was a dry eye in the gym when we left.

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The Italian Experience in America

New Institute Explores Italian Language, History and Culture

BY NANCY HUTCHINSON '69 '02 M.A.

Throughout history, Italian culture has produced great figures, people who enriched every field of human endeavor. From literature to law, Italians and Italian-Americans continue to make important contributions to our country and the world.

The words of Joseph Coccia, Jr. illustrate the passion he holds for his Italian heritage, a passion he hopes to share with others through the Joseph and Elda Coccia Institute for the Italian Experience in America.

Named in honor of Coccia and his wife, the institute is the newest component of Montclair State's College of Humanities and Social Sciences (CHSS). A bronze plaque outside the institute in Dickson Hall recognizes the couple whose significant contribution made it possible.

"The institute will help ensure that the great accomplishments of the past are not erased from memory, and it will help assure that new advances continue to be made," said Coccia, whose father emigrated from Perugia, Italy. Elda Coccia was born in the province of Avellino. (The couple has five children—Genevieve Nicastro, Elisa Coccia-Dob, Marisa Kettelhut, Joseph Coccia III and Christopher Coccia—and nine grandchildren.)

The institute is expected to become a nationally recognized center to encourage, promote, assist and support the acquisition and propagation of knowledge concerning Italian language, and Italian and Italian-American history, culture and heritage.

Montclair State President Susan A. Cole believes many people will benefit from the Institute's offerings. "Thousands of our students and alumni are members of the Italian-American community, and people of Italian heritage have had an enormous impact on the culture and the economy of our state," she said.

Richard Gigliotti, dean of the CHSS, explained that the institute would be a sponsor, catalyst and partner in a range of activities that will encompass education, outreach, cultural programming, research and more. "We will engage all age groups and interest levels with everything from programs for school children to scholarly research and collaboration," he said.

For Coccia, the vision for an institute devoted to Italian culture was a natural, if gradual, evolution. Prior to retirement, he was president of Coccia Development, a principal of Coccia Realty, Inc., and a principal of Midland Estates, Inc. He has been a member of UNICO National, the country's largest Italian-American service organization, for more than 44 years, is a past president, and for the past three years has chaired UNICO's Italian Studies Chairs and Fellowships Committee.

When Coccia was UNICO national president in 1976, the group helped rebuild the town hall in the medieval town of Venzone after a major earthquake devastated the northern Friuli region of the country. Following another quake in 1980, he was appointed coordinator of UNICO National's Southern Italy Relief Fund, which raised half a million dollars and built nine children's facilities in less than a year. In recognition, the Republic of Italy knighted Coccia as Cavielieri in the Order of Merit.

His volunteer work has taken him across the United States and put him in contact with dozens of Italian-American organizations, and hundreds of individuals, educators, scholars, schools, colleges and universities engaged in Italian culture and language.

"I have met people doing great research into our heritage," said Coccia. "But what I saw happening was one piece being done here, another piece being done there. Some organizations are giving scholarships; others focus on language preservation. We do 'bookshelves' for schools and libraries that are resources on Italian culture and sponsor essay contests. So I began thinking about how to bring all those ideas together and get everybody talking."

The experience made Coccia realize how dramatically support for cultural initiatives could be affected by changing priorities and budget pressures. "I came to understand that if something is going to last forever, it has to be endowed," he said.

The concept of an entity that would have the flexibility to respond to new opportunities, as well as network and collaborate with existing organizations and programs, slowly began to form.

In March 2001, Coccia visited Montclair State for the first time to attend a lecture by a scholar he knew and respected, an event sponsored by the CHSS and the Italian program.

During the reception that followed, Coccia and UNICO colleagues talked with Dean Gigliotti and members of the Italian faculty. Coccia was astonished to learn the size and scope of the Italian program, which had doubled over the three preceding years to reach an enrollment of 750. (The number is nearing 1,200.)

They also heard about the cultural programming Montclair State sponsors. Among the events on the calendar that year were an Italian film series that brought the films' directors to campus; an exhibit of humor in Italian art; and a celebration of the work of Antonio de Curtis (Toto) that included his films, music and poetry.

Coccia's curiosity was piqued, and over the ensuing months he continued to meet with University officials. Ultimately, Montclair State and UNICO National joined efforts to endow a chair in Italian and Italian-American Studies at the University.

"That process opened my eyes about Montclair State," Coccia said. "The University is growing in many ways. I like the energy and I like the people. I felt a close collaboration and partnership from the very start."

Coccia continued thinking about the possibility of an institute, but its location was uncertain. Over the years, he and his wife had become familiar with many colleges and universities, and while some people thought they should explore an affiliation with an Ivy League school, Coccia followed his instincts.

"I wanted to be somewhere I felt comfortable, where I believed in the leadership," he said. "I also decided the best place to be was at a university on the verge of fantastic growth, where my vision could grow along with it."

Early in 2003, Coccia asked Gigliotti how Montclair State saw the future of the Italian program and for suggestions about initiatives he might want to support. What he heard was close enough to his own vision that he decided to move forward and explore the possibilities for an institute on campus.

In March, Joseph and Elda Coccia signed the documents creating the institute, and in June the MSU Board of Trustees made it official with a resolution to approve the establishment of the Joseph and Elda Coccia Institute for the Italian Experience in America.

This summer, the institute sponsored its first program on campus, "Scuola Pinocchio," a 13-session course for children ages 6 to 12. The program allowed participants to explore Italian language and culture through singing, dancing, children's literature, arts and crafts.

He certainly has started people talking.

Project Documents the Italian-American Experience

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

The classroom isn't the only place to get a history lesson. Sometimes the best way to learn about the past is through the people who have lived it. Through a program sponsored by Montclair State's Community Outreach Partnership Center (COPC), Italians and Italian-Americans whose families live or have lived and worked in the township of Montclair are documenting their stories as part of a local history project.

"The goal is to collect and preserve the precious traces of the Italian-American experience in Montclair throughout the community's history from the late 19th century to present," explained Marisa Trubiano, assistant professor of Italian, who heads the project.

Montclair residents (present and former) were invited to the Montclair Public Library where they met with Trubiano, and her students, and with William Fischer, the local history librarian, Donato DiGeronimo '72 and Ruth Kunstadter, project co-collaborators. They shared photographs, written documents and personal artifacts. Participants ranged in age from 40 to 93.

Over the course of several gatherings more than 80 interviews were conducted by Trubiano's students, who developed questions that explored topics such as what it was like growing up in Montclair, what prejudices were experienced and what type of interaction occurred with the other predominant ethnic group at the time—African-Americans.

But it was the personal items and the anecdotal stories that accompanied them that proved to be most insightful. Helping with the technical preservation of the materials were DiGeronimo and Kunstadter, each with their own personal interest in the project. "My family has lived here since 1902, so this project was a natural for me," said DiGeronimo. "I've always been interested in preserving the history of Italians in Montclair since there's been nothing written about it after 1935."

Kunstadter moved to Montclair 12 years ago but her mother, Anita Magistro Udell '43, was born in town. "I began doing a lot of family history," she said, "and through my research realized that so much of the town's history had not been documented."

The two residents worked together to digitally preserve the items, and close to 400 photographs have been stored. The oldest picture, dating back to 1902, is of the Sandora family. But the one that stands out for DiGeronimo and Kunstadter is a photograph contributed by Paul Porcelli of the first Saint Sebastian Festival in Montclair in 1926. The festival is a re-creation of the one that takes place in Italy.

DiGeronimo hosted a night in his own home where residents gathered and Trubiano videotaped their stories, including those of DiGeronimo's family. His grandmother and her twin sister, in their 80s and 90s, shared their past. The two married brothers and had 28 children between them. "It's gratifying to see history being recorded this way," said Kunstadter. "People are elderly and it will all be lost unless it's documented now."

DiGeronimo is storing photographs on computer and hopes to set up a Web site in the future. Documents and videotapes are being held at the Montclair Public Library but Trubiano has bigger plans. "I would like to see this project result in published articles, and academic and community presentations and, ultimately, a traveling exhibit and a permanent visual display in a suitable location that highlights key aspects of Montclair's local histories."

The Italian-American oral history project was made possible through the Community Heritage Documentation Project under the auspices of COPC, which is funded by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and Montclair State University; a Cali 2003 Research Grant; and the Montclair State Spanish and Italian Department's Italian Cooperative Education course.

Marisa Trubiano looks over historical information from Michael Pondiscio and his daughter Anita McDonald.

The Village at Little Falls

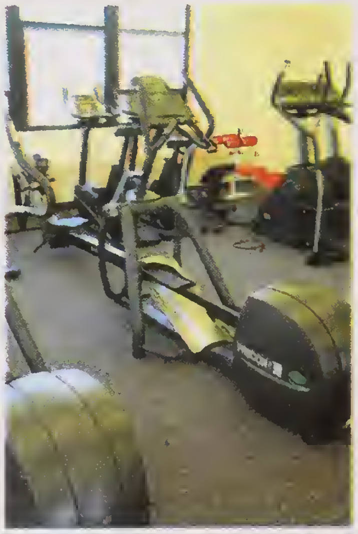
About 850 students have settled into the newest and largest residential facility on campus, The Village at Little Falls.

The apartments are complete with all the comforts of home, including a dishwasher, central air conditioning, cable television and high-speed Internet access.

The complex includes four residence halls and a recreation center that houses a complete fitness facility. Outdoors there is an in-ground pool and half-court basketball.

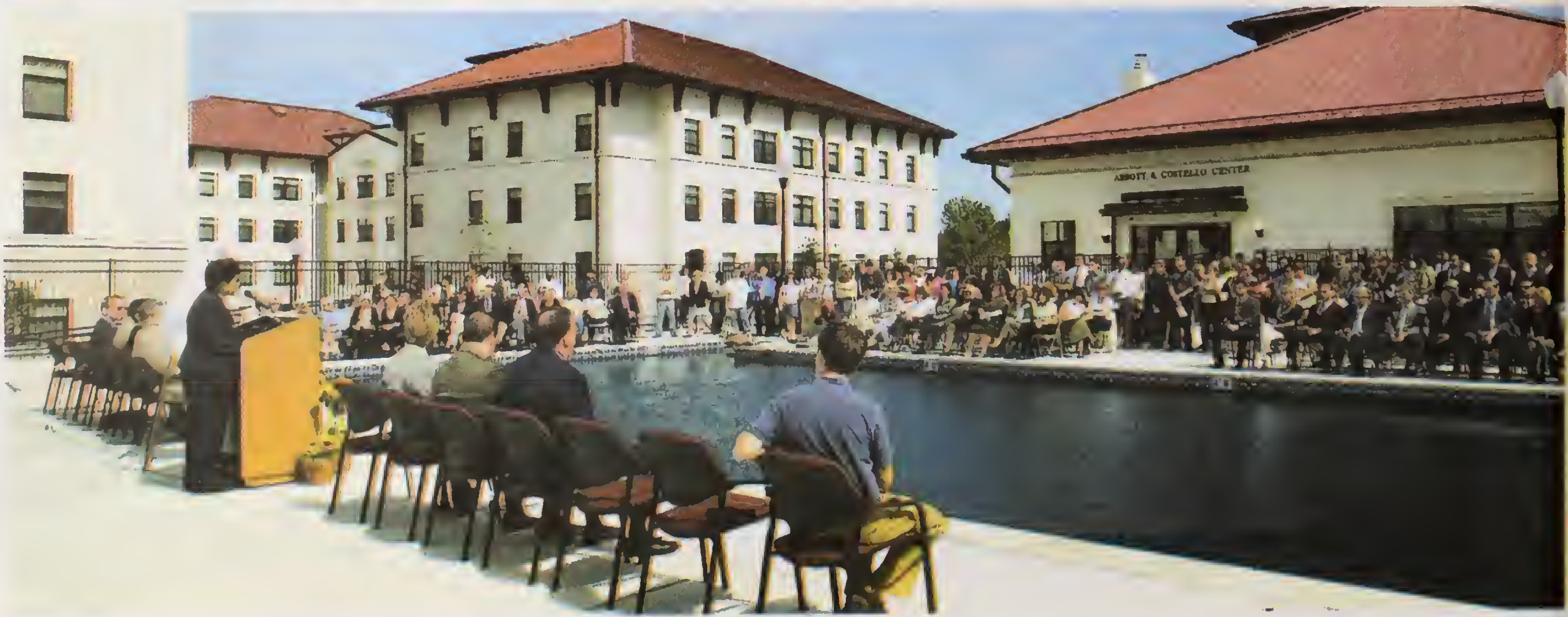
The residential buildings are named after famous New Jerseyans Millicent Fenwick, William Carlos Williams, Alice Paul and Count Basie, and the recreational center is named for the famous comedy team, Abbott and Costello.

The Village was one of several building projects that kept the University buzzing with the sounds of progress over the summer. Work on the 500-seat Alexander Kasser Theater is in full swing, with an expected opening date next summer. The state-of-the-art facility will be located next to the amphitheater, which, with continued support from alumni, will undergo a major renovation project.



Ground recently was broken on a new 270,000-square-foot academic building that is expected to be complete in fall 2005. The new facility will be home to the College of Education and Human Services and will house the ADP Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technology, the Center of Pedagogy, a Literacy Enrichment Center and the Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children.

To learn more about the building projects at Montclair State, go to www.montclair.edu/redhawkconstruction.



Members of the campus community, local and state officials, and former N.J. Gov. Christine Todd Whitman (pictured at top with MSU President Susan A. Cole) gathered Sept. 9 for the grand opening of The Village at Little Falls.

Alumni PROFILE

Doris (Lew) Beck '50

BY BILL VALLADARES

When Doris (Lew) Beck and her husband Felix attended a gala awards dinner in 1978, she was introduced to entertainer Ben Vereen as Mayor Beck of Livingston. He instinctively extended his hand toward Mr. Beck, who shook his head and pointed to his wife. Vereen smiled, put his arm around Beck and said, "We've both come a long way, baby."

Beck *had* come a long way. Defying the odds, she and her entire Democratic ticket won in a Republican town, and as the biggest vote getter in Livingston's council-manager form of government, Beck became the first woman elected mayor in Essex County. "A Woman? A Democrat? Mayor? In Livingston?" read the front-page headline in the Jan. 2, 1975 edition of *The Daily Record.*

"We campaign door to door in Livingston, so I wore out three pairs of shoes," said Beck. But it was her role as mother that really carried her to town hall. "As PTA president and being involved in Little League and other sports, I unwittingly did all the groundwork by getting involved for my children."

Beck taught fourth grade in Irvington for three years after graduating from Montclair State, then stayed home to raise her sons. During the '60s she got involved with the League of Women Voters, becoming president of the local chapter and later vice president of the state organization.

"These were women interested in helping the country," she said. "Joining and starting all kinds of women's programs and organizations changed my life."

So much so that it ultimately inspired Beck to launch a career in politics at age 45.

Beck, who served as mayor in '75 and again in '78, sought public office to improve the image of citizens in public service when the image of politicians was tarnished. "Local officials can invigorate public trust, and that trust becomes contagious," she said. "They were exciting times. Politics gets your name out there, but as the first woman mayor in the county I got even more publicity, which led to a lot of other things."

However, Beck didn't mind sharing the headlines with Millicent Fenwick, a popular and outspoken Republican from New Jersey, who was 64 years old when she was elected to Congress in 1974. (Montclair State recently named a building after Fenwick. See story on page 6.)

Beck used her position and the spotlight, not to propel her own political career, but to better serve her constituency, and after eight years on the council, she retired to devote more time to her family and other interests.

Beck has given her time and service as a trustee of the Saint Barnabas Medical Center and the Livingston Library, has served on the Board of Managers of the Orange Savings Bank, was appointed chair of the State Library Council of New Jersey, was vice chair of the Essex County Conference of Mayors, director of the United Way of North Essex, co-chair of the Mental Health Association of Essex County, chair of the steering committee of the Newark Chamber of Commerce Task Force on Regional Planning and a guest lecturer on government in the Livingston schools. She also is involved with the Jewish community, supporting the synagogue where her sons had their bah mitzvahs.

"We still support that synagogue because we want other children to have the same opportunities," said Beck, who appreciates the importance of being given an opportunity. If it were not for help from a friend, Beck never could have fled Poland with her parents and sisters, Adele and Ann, to escape the Holocaust, which claimed the lives of her other relatives. That friend was former N.J. Gov. Thomas H. Kean's father.

"He was a congressman who helped get my family here," Beck explained. "We moved to Newark where my father was a tailor, so my sisters and I would go home from school during lunch to pull out bastings. Tom Kean and I are great friends." Then she grinned and whispered, "He and Millicent Fenwick, another great friend, are the only two Republicans I've ever voted for."

Though a life dedicated to service and philanthropy has provided a cache of intriguing stories from a fabulous storyteller, Beck has an uncanny knack for deflecting the focus away from herself to her family and the people who helped get her where she is today.

The grandmother of four enjoys directing guests through her Livingston home—which she and Felix designed and built—to what she calls her "living wall," where visitors can view recent awards, news clippings and up-to-date pictures. Glossing over her own contributions to the constantly changing cork wall, Beck takes

Doris Beck's family in Poland in 1932. Beck is pictured front row, second from right, next to her sister Adele Press '47. Their father, Benjamin Lew, is pictured top row, second from left, and their mother, Miriam, is seated, second from left.

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Mathematics Teachers Are First to Earn MSU Doctoral Degree

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

Martha Baklarz Croley and Deborah Ives made history this summer when they became the first Montclair State students to earn a doctoral degree. Both public school teachers earned a doctor of education (Ed.D.) in pedagogy with a specialization in mathematics education. The University also offers an Ed.D. with a specialization in philosophy for children.

Ken Wolff (left) and Evan Maletsky (second from right) chaired the dissertation committees for Montclair State's first students to complete a doctoral program, Martha Baklarz Croley (second from left) and Deborah Ives.

Montclair State gained approval for its first doctoral program in 1998 and a class of 16 students began study in the summer of 1999. Croley and Ives are the first to complete the program, successfully defending their dissertations in July.

"This is a significant accomplishment for the University and for these two students as they completed their program in four years while continuing to work as teachers in the public schools," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole.

Ives, a mathematics supervisor in West Milford, presented "The Development of Seventh Graders' Conceptual Understanding of Geometry and Spatial Visualization Abilities Using Mathematical Representations with Dynamic Models." The study explored the role of representations in mathematical learning and their relationship to students' conceptual understanding of geometry and measurement.

With many students in grade seven encountering difficulties making translations from external representations to internal abstract structures, this study sheds light on how this process occurs, specifically as it relates to cognitive building blocks in the area of internal representations, providing results that have implications for curriculum design and practice.

Evan Maletsky '53 '54 M.A. of Mathematical Sciences, and Montclair State's most senior faculty member, chaired Ives' dissertation committee. Other members were retired Montclair State mathematics professor Max Sobel, Tamara Lucas of Educational Foundations and James Fey from the University of Maryland.

"Deb's study adds to the research available on the critical role the middle school grades play in the students' development of thinking skills in mathematics," Maletsky said. "It also focuses on the key topics of geometry and measurement, two content areas where assessment has indicated a great need for improvement."

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> *-President Susan A. Cole*

Maletsky said a unique component of Ives' research was the preparation of three creative, one-week units incorporating activities involving the dynamics of change, which served as the basis for her analysis. "This material will be valuable for both students and teachers, especially those needing to develop better spatial visualization skills," he explained. "We plan to use these activities and this research in the geometry course that is part of our current workforce grant project for middle school mathematics teachers."

Croley, a mathematics teacher and team leader at Bloomfield Middle School, successfully defended her dissertation, "Factors That Produce and Reduce Mathematics Anxiety as Perceived by Seventh-Grade Females." Data for the qualitative study was based on a series of interviews with 25 seventh-grade females who had high mathematics anxiety. The students participated in three in-depth group interviews and reported the most influential factors for both producing and reducing mathematics anxiety as teachers, behavior of classmates, pace and extent of mathematics curriculum, and parents and siblings.

The study documented the significant effect that teachers have on both producing and reducing mathematics anxiety. It also contained concrete suggestions for teachers to use that could reduce anxiety in their students.

"Mathematics anxiety corresponds to lower levels of mathematics achievement and is considered a major reason many females decide not to pursue further study or careers in quantitative disciplines," said Kenneth Wolff '63 of Mathematical Sciences, who chaired Croley's dissertation committee. Other members included department colleague Anthony Piccolino, Juan Miguel Fernandez-Balboa of Curriculum and Teaching, and John Dossey from Illinois State University.

"While other researchers have interviewed math-anxious females, those studies usually involved university students," Wolff said. "Martha's study is significant because it addresses math-anxious females at a critical age and grade level, when students often decide what careers and academic areas they will pursue. Some of the students' suggestions for reducing mathematics anxiety were surprisingly perceptive."

CAMPUS NEWS

Students to study at Moscow Conservatory

Several lucky music students will get the opportunity of a lifetime to study at the renowned Moscow Conservatory in Russia in the spring.

Montclair State has signed an agreement with the Conservatory allowing students to spend a semester studying at one of the best music schools in the world.

"We are the first university in the United States to have this type of exchange program with the Moscow Conservatory," said Marina Cunningham, director of the Global Education Center. "It is a truly amazing opportunity for our music students."

Cunningham, several Music Department faculty and Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, spent a week in Russia last spring to discuss the possibility of future student and faculty exchange programs. The visit came after members of the Montclair State Band performed at the Conservatory to rave reviews in May 2002.

"Irina [Koulikova, a professor and dean at the Conservatory] was so impressed with our students that she invited us to come back with faculty to talk about exchange possibilities," Cunningham said.

During the visit, David Witten, Mark Pakman and Jeffrey Gall of Music performed at the home of the late Sviatoslav Richter, one of Russia's most famous 20th-century pianists. After his death in 1997, his home was turned into a venue for selected concerts and performances.

Pakman, who had accompanied the Montclair State Band to Russia last year, said he hopes the possibility of study at the Moscow Conservatory will attract even stronger music students to Montclair State. Pakman can speak first-hand about the experience since he studied at the Moscow Conservatory as well as its specialized high school for music. "It will be a chance for our students to study at a high-level conservatory and be introduced to another culture," he said. "The Moscow Conservatory is international. It attracts students from all over the world."

Research showcase... A group of Montclair State students traveled to Trenton where they showed the results of their research at "Posters Under the Dome" at the State House. The event is a visual presentation showcasing examples of exceptional undergraduate student research. Pictured, music major Patricia Galvez shows State Sen. Joseph Suliga her work, "New Musical Possibilities," which includes a microtonal instrument she created, the Hydronica, in the style of the late Harry Partch. In addition, geology students Christine Scarda and Christin Cifelli presented "Comparison of X-Ray Computed Microtomography in Various Earth and Space Materials."

Pascrell secures $1 million for new bus fleet

U.S. Rep. Bill Pascrell, Jr. (D-Dist. 8) secured $1 million in federal funding for the expansion of the University's Community Bus System. The congressman also was successful in securing an additional $300,000 for the creation of the new Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies.

The money for the University's bus system allowed Montclair State to purchase a new fleet of fuel-efficient vehicles to provide transportation to and from mass transit sites, reducing the number of cars on the road. Additionally, the new buses will allow the University to expand its community outreach program by providing transportation for on-campus events for members of the community.

"I was proud to secure $1 million for the purchase of new buses to allow Montclair State to extend its routes into the surrounding communities and eliminate the need for many individuals to drive their cars to campus," said Pascrell, a member of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure. "We need to be creative in getting cars off the road wherever possible. With the new fuel-efficient bus system, we are helping Montclair State be a good

U.S. Rep. Bill Pascrell, Jr. and Montclair State President Susan A. Cole neighbor by helping lift some of the burden off local community roads."

The Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies, which will be located in the University's new academic building scheduled to open in fall 2005, will allow the University to expand its teacher preparation program to meet the ever-growing need for more classroom teachers. The Center will double the number of high-quality teacher candidates the University graduates each year.

"We are witnessing the beginnings of a serious crisis in the education system. New Jersey and the rest of the nation face a massive teacher shortage," noted Pascrell, a former educator. "That is why Montclair State's efforts to expand the number of high-quality teacher candidates it produces is so important."

Montclair State President Susan A. Cole said, "Even in these harsh economic times, Rep. Pascrell and Sen. John Corzine have proven to be staunch supporters of quality higher education and its extremely important role in preparing the workforce of the future."

Scientific advancement... More than 260 people attended Montclair State's annual dinner, from which proceeds will be used to renovate science labs. Pictured above, biology major Vinela Bakklamaja shows alumna Margaret Sokol '38 the research she is working on with fellow students. Sokol was one of five people honored that evening for their support of the University's science programs. The special honoree was Jonathan Spicehandler, chairman of the Schering-Plough Research Institute and a member of the University's Board of Trustees. The other honorees were alumna Barbara Brummer '68, and Josh Weston and his wife, alumna Judy Weston '77 M.A. (pictured below with College of Science and Mathematics Dean Robert Prezant).

Wrestler featured in *Sports Illustrated*

Wrestler Rami Ratel was featured in *Sports Illustrated*'s "Faces in the Crowd" in the magazine's April 17 issue. Ratel is the second Montclair State athlete to be featured in the section last season. Women's soccer goaltender Stephanie Romanko appeared in the Dec. 16 "Sportsman of the Year" issue.

Ratel helped the Red Hawks to a fourth-place finish at the 2003 National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III championships, and became the University's 28th individual Division III champion as he captured the 149-pound weight class. Ratel posted a 12-4 major decision over Garrett Kurth of Luther College to finish his season at 39-0.

Named the Most Outstanding Wrestler of the Tournament, he became the first Red Hawk to record an undefeated season since Jim Sloan went 36-0 in 1993. Ratel's win total is the third-highest in Montclair State history, trailing John and Karl Monaco's 43-win campaigns in 1988 and 1985, respectively.

Ratel also received the Outstanding Wrestler Award, the seventh Montclair wrestler to claim the award and the first since Pete Gonzalez in 1989. Ratel finished his career with a 132-9 record, which includes 62 victories by pinfall.

For up-to-date sports information, go to www.montclair.edu/athletics.

NJSOC director earns 'Best Practices' award; CCC members honored

William Thomas, director of Montclair State's New Jersey School of Conservation (NJSOC), has been recognized for developing one of the planet's "Best Practices Using Indigenous Knowledge" by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization's (UNESCO) Management of Social Transformations Program (MOST).

Thomas was one of 22 individuals recognized for their innovative methods of using indigenous knowledge and for their potential to make a difference and inspire others to develop sustainable use strategies for the environment.

Thomas works in the most remote regions of Papua, New Guinea to record local environmental knowledge. "I am particularly interested in the potential for indigenous knowledge to provide a blueprint for the conservation of the earth's remaining wild lands," Thomas said. By working with local people to record their knowledge of the biological diversity in their homelands, Thomas helps to create a baseline of information on environments that have yet to be studied by western science. Indigenous knowledge of accepted biodiversity indicators such as birds can provide information on the connection between indigenous societies and biological diversity. It also can predict the effect of human activity on biodiversity. "I hope that by exposing conservationists to the possibilities of indigenous knowledge, they will be more willing to involve local people in the conservation of their lands," he said.

The NJSOC, the environmental education field campus of Montclair State, is the largest and oldest university-operated environmental education center in the nation. It is located 57 miles from the Montclair campus on a 240-acre tract located in the center of Stokes State Forest in Sussex County.

State Sen. Robert E. Littell honors the Civilian Conservation Corps.

The NJSOC and the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection recently joined State Sen. Robert E. Littell in honoring the 70th anniversary of the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC).

Stokes State Forest was home to two CCC camps, one of which built and occupied Camp Wapalanne, the current NJSOC campus. The CCC put more than three million young men and adults to work during the Great Depression. In New Jersey, young men in 22 CCC camps engaged in reforestation, erosion control and the construction of campgrounds, shelters, roads, dams and bridges in seven state parks and eight state forests. Notable CCC achievements in Stokes State Forest include the construction of lakes Ocquittunk and Wapalanne, log cabins, fireplaces, campsites, scenic drives and the Sunrise Mountain shelter.

"The hard work of millions of CCC volunteers helped shape the face of America during very trying times," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "Their resourcefulness, creativity and work ethic are legendary."

Littell's father, Sen. Alfred Littell, sponsored the legislation establishing the New Jersey School of Conservation in 1949. "He knew how important its work was and so do I," he said. "I inherited my father's passion and helped enact legislation in 1981 that provided the School of Conservation with a direct annual appropriation from the state. No cause is more worthy, nor dear to my heart, than this site where we honor the CCC."

Each academic year the School of Conservation provides environmental education programs for nearly 9,000 elementary and secondary school students, and nearly 1,000 teachers from approximately 100 schools. There also are field courses for graduate students and weekend workshops designed to train preservice and inservice teachers, and youth leaders in environmental education curriculum development and field techniques.

IF YOU ARE THINKING 10 YEARS AHEAD, PLAN

MSU President Susan A. Cole with former members of the Civilian Conservation Corps

New Vice President Leads University Advancement

Following a national search, Thomas J. Haynes, Jr. of Tallahassee, Fla., has been named vice president for University Advancement.

"Thomas has extensive experience in a public university system and he has a deep understanding of the important societal purposes of public higher education," said Montclair State President Susan A. Cole.

Starting in 1998, Haynes served as associate vice president for University Relations and executive director of the Industry Cluster at Florida A&M University. He served as the principal fund raiser for the university and was responsible for the development of result-oriented policies and strategies for strengthening the university's fund-raising capacity. He was a member of the executive team responsible for a $50 million capital campaign; developed and executed comprehensive marketing and fund-raising strategies for corporations and foundations, raising approximately $8 million annually; managed special event fund raising and annual fund campaign activities as well as planned giving and major gifts programs; and provided leadership that resulted in one of the most benchmarked Industry Cluster programs (a business-education partnership) in the country.

Haynes was appointed by the governor to a four-year term, from 1994 to 1998, on Florida's Commission for Postsecondary Education. As a member of the 13-person Commission, he assisted in the preparation of the master plan for postsecondary education in Florida. He reviewed public postsecondary education budget requests, which exceeded $2.9 billion, for compliance with the master plan. He has a wealth of international, corporate and academic consulting experience.

He and his wife, Cheryl, have two daughters, Chennelle and Christin, and an 18-month-old grandson, Chance.

"We are looking forward to becoming active participants in the greater New Jersey community," Haynes said. "I especially look forward to working with Dr. Cole, the boards, faculty, staff, students and alumni in advocating for this great institution."

THE FACE IN THE MIRROR
Julian Paul Keenan

The Face in the Mirror: The Search for the Origins of Consciousness by psychology professor Julian Keenan, director of Montclair State's Cognitive Neuroimaging Laboratory, hit bookshelves this summer to rave reviews. *Publishers Weekly* says the book "will delight readers curious about the mind and the scientists who study it" while the *San Diego Union-Tribune* calls *The Face in the Mirror* "exciting and fun to read."

ALUMNI NEWS

Online Community will launch this fall

The Alumni office is in the final development stage of the vastly improved MSU Alumni Online Community. With the goal of helping you maintain connections with classmates and develop new contacts, we soon will offer a password-protected directory; yellow pages of alumni businesses and services; home pages for chapters, reunions and other groups; class notes with photos; discussion boards; photo galleries; and Web postcards. And to make sure you don't miss something important, the Alumni Association will send a periodic e-newsletter to keep you in the loop.

To maintain users' privacy, the online directory will be accessible only to alumni. Access will require all users to verify their identity with a Personal Identification Number (PIN). To obtain a PIN, send an e-mail or call the Office of Alumni Relations. Once identity has been verified, users will have full access to the online community.

The directory will display the following fields for all alumni: name, last name at graduation, class year, school, major and state of residence. As you register, you will have the option to set your own privacy levels—choose to display more (address, phone, e-mail, employment information, etc.) or less information, or choose to hide yourself completely if you do not wish to participate in the directory.

The MSU Alumni Online Community is free to alumni and sponsored by the Office of Alumni Relations and the Alumni Association.

Please make sure we have an updated e-mail address so we can notify you when the MSU Alumni Online Community goes live. To update your information, go to www.montclair.edu/pages/Alumni/Updateform.htm.

For more information about the Online Community, call 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Alumna remembered at NJEA convention

Elizabeth Roe '13, an early 20th-century teacher in Haledon, will be the focus of an exhibit at this year's New Jersey Education Association (NJEA) convention, which will take place in Atlantic City from Nov. 6-8.

The exhibit, sponsored by the American Labor Museum-Botto House National Landmark, will be one of several addressing labor history and public education through the years. The NJEA 150th anniversary time capsule and its contents also will be on display.

Class of 1954 to celebrate 50th reunion

Montclair State University classes with years ending in 4 and 9 will receive special invitations to Alumni Weekend 2004. In addition, invitations will be sent to all alumni from the 1940s.

The class of 1954 will celebrate its 50th anniversary reunion at the Alumni Weekend dinner, to be held May 1. James Spry, class president and a member of the Alumni Association Executive Board, will co-chair the reunion committee. Joining Spry as a committee co-chair is George Iannacone, who also is a member of the MSUAA Executive Board.

"We have a committee of 20 people in place, assisting us with contacting classmates," Spry said. The committee began its work with a telephone campaign in October. "We will put forth a great effort to get in touch with people. Our class was very active and we had a good turnout for our 40th reunion," Spry said.

The Student Government Association and alumni who are educators also will be honored.

Details on the Alumni Weekend program and dinner will be available as the date nears. Contact the Alumni Relations office by calling 973-655-4141 or e-mailing alumni@mail.montclair.edu for information, including ways to get involved.

Bringing employers and alumni face to face

Meet employers interested in meeting Montclair State alumni at the first Alumni Career Fair on Monday, Nov. 3, from 4 to 7 p.m. in the Student Center Ballrooms. Bring your resume and learn about job opportunities. For alumni who are unable to come to campus, employers will be looking to connect with you online during the two-week period following the fair. For further details, watch the Web site: www.montclair.edu/pages/alumni/events.htm.

Sharing... Two alumni recently returned to campus to share their expertise. Organist and scholar Gail Archer '73 presented the Jack Sacher Memorial Lecture, "Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck and his Disciples: The Foundations of the 17th-Century North German Organ School." Author and philosopher Christopher Phillips '97 M.A.T. held a Socrates Café, "Philosophical Communities In and Out of the Academy." Phillips is the author of *Socrates Café: A Fresh Taste of Philosophy* and *The Philosopher's Club*, a children's picture book of philosophical questions and ideas

Nominations sought for Alumni Citation recipients

Fall is the season when we gather names of alumni worthy of the Alumni Citation Award, which is presented at Alumni Weekend. Recognizing someone who has made a significant contribution to her/his profession, community or the University, it is the Alumni Association's most prestigious award. Deadline for submissions is Dec. 1.

We also seek names of alumni who wish to serve on the Alumni Association Executive Board. As a result of term limits, we add new members every year. Our goal is to create a board that is as diverse as our 80,000 members.

Share your nominations with the Alumni Office by phone, e-mail or through the Web site.

Spend an evening with the New Jersey Devils

Alumni, students, faculty and friends are invited to join the New Jersey Devils when they face off against the Ottawa Senators during Montclair State University Night with the Devils on Tuesday, Jan. 13, at 7:30 p.m. at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford. Tickets are $35 each, a 33-percent savings off the regular ticket price. Tickets to cheer on the 2003 Stanley Cup winners make a great holiday gift.

To order tickets, send a check or money order payable to "New Jersey Devils" along with your name, address, phone number, graduation year and number of tickets requested to: MSU Ticket Offer, P.O. Box 7504, East Rutherford, NJ 07073. Tickets must be purchased by Dec. 18.

All proceeds from ticket sales directly benefit the MSU Alumni Association.

By-Laws amendments proposed

At the June 4 meeting of the Montclair State University Alumni Association (MSUAA) Executive Board, two amendments to the by-laws were proposed. They are published here for the information of our members:

1. Amendment to change the expiration date on membership cards.

Article III Membership, Section 2A

Currently states: Active Members—any degree recipient eligible for membership as defined above who makes a donation to the Alumni Association is an active member for the fiscal year in which they contribute, except as otherwise provided herein.

Proposed new language: Active members—any degree recipient eligible as defined above who makes a donation to the Alumni Association is an active member for one year as of the date of the most recent gift, except as otherwise provided herein.

2. Amendment to allow balloting online.

Article VII Elections, Section 2

Currently states: Balloting shall be by mail.

Proposed new language: Balloting shall be by mail or by e-mail.

Spanning the UNIVERSITY

Phi Alpha Psi to celebrate 75th anniversary

The Brothers of Phi Alpha Psi Senate are celebrating their 75th anniversary on campus. Senators interested in attending an alumni dinner in April honoring former Dean of Students Lawton Blanton and many others can call Philip J. Kiernan, Jr. at 973-667-8981 or e-mail him at senatealumni@aol.com.

Are you a snowbird?

If you travel south each year to spend the winter far away from snow and ice, we want to make sure you know about Montclair State reunions and events held near your winter home.

If you would like to be invited to these gatherings—or if you want your winter issue of *Alumni Life* delivered to your winter address—make sure we have your snowbird contact information. Call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141 or e-mail us at alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Include your name, seasonal mailing address, phone number and e-mail address. Please be sure to let us know that this is your "seasonal address," and give us the dates for which this address is in effect.

Online Survey brings outstanding results

Our thanks and appreciation go to the nearly 2,700 alumni who logged on to our Web site to complete the online survey we announced in the last issue of *Alumni Life*.

The responses helped us identify wonderful resources for alumni and students, including 241 potential employers to participate in our first Alumni Career Fair, 386 possible new online mentors, 120 individuals who offered to assist the Admissions Office by contacting their local schools in key school districts around the state and the 130 alumni who expressed interest in coming to campus to meet with small groups of students to discuss various topics. It was an amazing and wonderful outpouring of support.

Responses came from the Classes of 1940 to 2002, from California to West Virginia. We heard from professors, playwrights, photographers, police officers and politicians. You shared your proudest moments as well as news about your struggles. Your stories bring the proud history of Montclair State to life.

We plan to share some of your stories in future issues of *Alumni Life*.

This project was a collaboration among the University Advancement Data Manager Jeanette Hanlein, Jane Zeff and Gurvinder Khaneja of the Office of Institutional Research, Web Manager Cindy Meneghin and the Office of Alumni Relations.

For those of you who wish to complete a survey, we offer it one more time—either online at http://frontpage.montclair.edu/vpbpit/surveys/alumni, or call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 to request a copy by mail. The survey will end Nov. 1.

Are you an alumni author?

Send a copy of your book for the alumni library to MSUAA, 1 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Nov. 3: Alumni Career Fair. 4-7 p.m., Student Center Ballrooms.

Jan. 8 and **April 8:** Alumni Happy Hours. Call for more information.

Jan. 13: MSU Night with the New Jersey Devils. Join the fun as the Devils meet the Ottawa Senators. 7:30 p.m., Continental Airlines Arena, East Rutherford. Tickets: $35 per person. Purchase by Dec. 18.

May 1: Alumni Weekend.

May 6: Superintendents Breakfast.

Teacher receives Alumni Citation Award

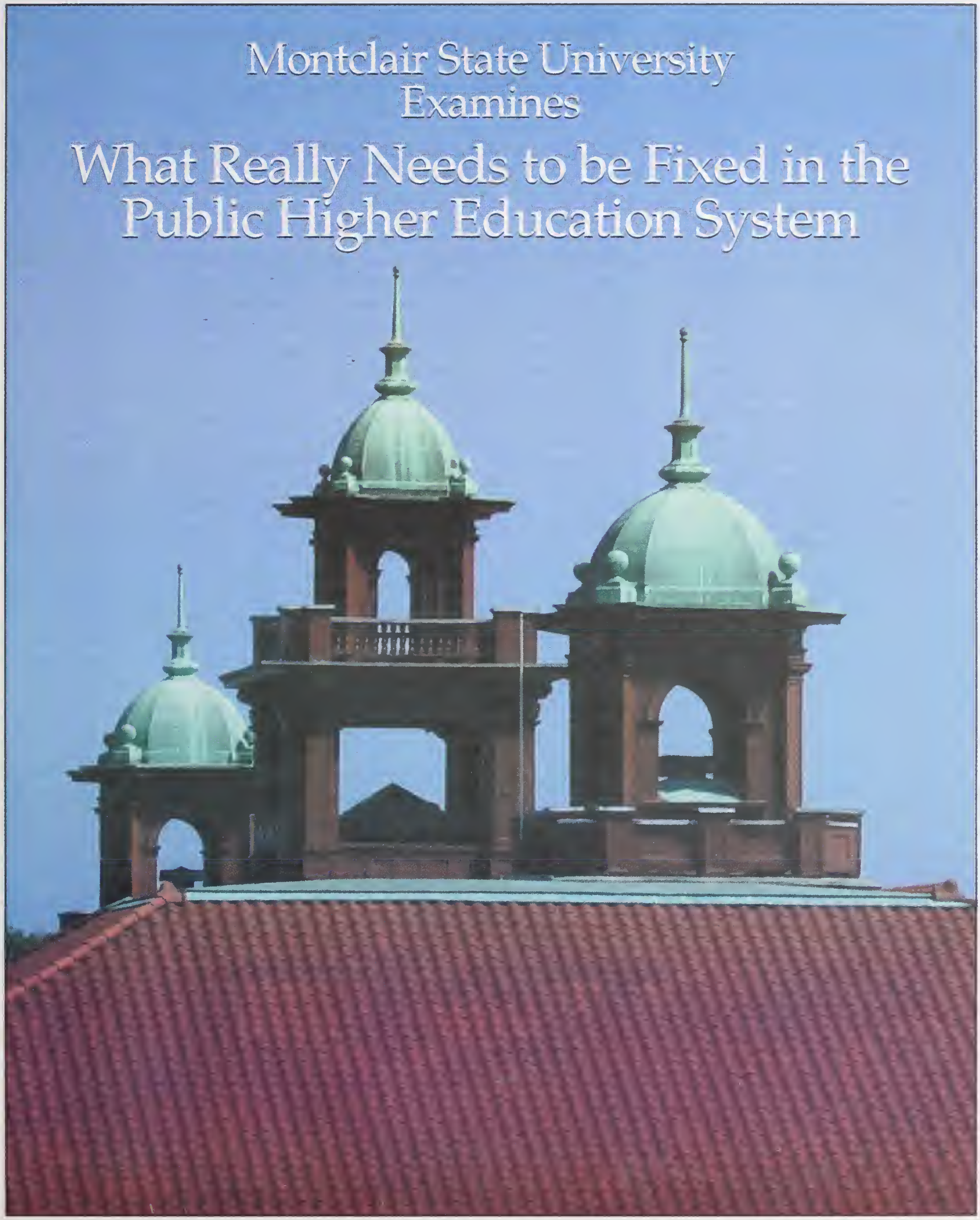
Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A., president of the Alumni Association, presents Janice-Lynn Nazziola-Shuhan with the 2003 Alumni Citation Award.

The Alumni Association presented its 2003 Alumni Citation Award to Janice-Lynn Nazziola-Shuhan '81 '99 M.A. at Alumni Weekend in May. Shuhan is a mathematics teacher and theater director at Belleville High School. A performer and choreographer, she has appeared in cabarets and community theater in New Jersey and New York as well as in films ("Other People's Money" and "Carlito's Way") and television. Shuhan has directed more than 50 musical productions for Belleville High School as well as other New Jersey school districts.

Each year the MSU Alumni Association recognizes an outstanding graduate through its Alumni Citation Award. Candidates are selected based on noteworthy contributions to the community, the University or their profession. Learn how you can nominate a worthy candidate on page 13.

Montclair State University Examines

What Really Needs to be Fixed in the Public Higher Education System



Capacity, Funding and Governance

What Really Needs to be Fixed in the Public Higher Education System

BY SUSAN A. COLE, Ph.D.

On October 14, 2002, the gubernatorially appointed New Jersey Commission on Health Science, Education, and Training, led by Dr. P. Roy Vagelos, produced its Report calling for the restructuring of Rutgers University, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, and the New Jersey Institute of Technology. The consideration of the Report has now moved to the province of large implementation committees, paid consultants, and, of course, the political arena.

There can be no question that Governor McGreevey is absolutely right to be focusing his attention on the state's public higher education infrastructure. The membership of the Vagelos Commission was exceedingly distinguished in fields related to the health sciences, and their Report points most directly to the desirability of enabling New Jersey to mount a research university that will be ranked, especially in these fields, among the nation's top institutions. What was beyond the scope of the Commission's charge and, consequently, not addressed at all in its Report, and what has not yet received any substantive consideration is the relation of the state's public research universities to the rest of the state's public higher education institutions and to the broad economic and societal needs of the state.

However the work of the implementation committees and the legislative debate develops, one thing, at least, is eminently clear. It will be impossible to come to sound conclusions about the disposition of the state's public research universities without understanding the overall context of public higher education in the state. New Jersey needs to understand not only how to organize to do the best research in the health and life sciences, it also needs to know, among other things, how best to provide sufficient access to a broad range of higher education opportunities for New Jerseyans, how to assure academic excellence and meet the workforce needs of the state in a wide range of fields, how to keep talented students in state and how to attract talented students to New Jersey from other states, and how major higher education institutions can and should relate to the economic development of the state's urban centers. The Commission on Higher Education (CHE) has been given a mandate by the Governor to develop a long-range plan for higher education in the state and hopefully the plan that emerges from that process will address these important issues. This broader planning effort initiated its work on a separate track from the work of the Vagelos Commission, and genuine intersection of the two will certainly be necessary if New Jersey is to emerge with a rational statewide plan.

Government Appropriation for Higher Education Per Capita

California	$330
North Carolina	$323
Mississippi	$313
Delaware	$242
New Jersey	$225
Connecticut	$216
New York	$208
Massachusetts	$185
Pennsylvania	$172

Why does the state need a plan? What, after all, is wrong with public higher education in New Jersey, and what needs to be fixed? The Vagelos Commission identified one problem: New Jersey's flagship research university and health sciences university have not reached high national standing or reputation and do not attract as much federal funding to the state as they should. That problem has a significant impact on the economic development potential of the state, particularly in regard to the extremely important New Jersey investment in pharmaceutical and health-related industries, and it is not a problem that has just been discovered. During her second term, Governor Whitman expressed a similar concern, pointing to the fact that New Jersey ranks 46th out of the 50 states and the District of Columbia in federal funding of university-based research and development as a ratio of gross state product. The only states with a lower ranking are Idaho, Kentucky, Arkansas, South Dakota, and Maine.

But there is something else that is also very wrong with New Jersey public higher education, that is at least as, if not more, important, that currently affects tens of thousands of New Jerseyans, and that will affect many thousands more in the decade to come. New Jersey has been sailing against the national tide and has, over many years, declined to build or provide support for adequately sized and adequately resourced public colleges and universities. Again, this problem is not one that has just been discovered. In 2001, the Task force on Building a World-Class

Economy in New Jersey, established by then Acting Governor DiFrancesco, stated:

> *While education is the driver of a high-tech economy, New Jersey lacks the higher education infrastructure to compete effectively in the future with other emerging high-tech states including Massachusetts, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia, Pennsylvania and Michigan. New Jersey lacks both the higher education capacity to meet its needs as well as the quality of high-end university research educators and centers of excellence....There is a significant capacity problem at New Jersey's public colleges and universities estimated at up to 60,000 seats if the state were to meet the national mean in seats per 1,000 population.*

This year, in the face of an undeniable state budgetary crisis, higher education once again failed to emerge at the top of the state's priority list, and Governor McGreevey announced a proposed fiscal year 2004 state budget that contained, for the second year in a row, devastating cuts for public higher education. Between fiscal year 2003 and what is projected for fiscal year 2004, the state's 12 senior public colleges and universities will lose $165.5 million, approximately 20 percent of their direct state appropriation. Over two decades, the state of New Jersey will have gone from supporting over 70 percent of the operations of these 12 institutions to less than 55 percent, with no end to the inexorable decline in sight.

Projected Percentage Change in Number of High School Graduates, 2000-2010

California	21.3
New Jersey	20.4
North Carolina	20.1
Connecticut	15.0
New York	9.0
Massachusetts	8.6
Delaware	5.4
Pennsylvania	3.1
Mississippi	-5.1

THE UNDER-BUILDING OF NEW JERSEY PUBLIC COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

The under-building of New Jersey's public colleges and universities is not marginal; it is dramatic. New Jersey ranks 44th out of 50 states in its public four-year enrollment per capita. Just to reach the national mean, New Jersey would need to serve 68,000 more students. This dramatic shortfall in capacity coincides with current projections of the fifth-highest growth rate in the nation in the number of high school graduates in the decade between 2001 and 2011. Within a few years, New Jersey will be producing more than 20,000 more high school graduates each year. The *Interim Report of the Higher Education Long-Range Plan Steering Committee*, produced in November 2002 by the Commission on Higher Education. notes: "If the percentage of high school graduates who attend college in New Jersey within 12 months of graduation continues to grow, the cumulative effect over a four-year period would be significantly higher, reaching 36,800 additional students seeking enrollment in 2008." This report further notes that "many of these students will want a residential experience." In addition to the state's startling lack of capacity in baccalaureate enrollment, New Jersey is also behind all other states of comparable populations in doctoral degree production.

The under-building of New Jersey public higher education becomes quickly apparent as soon as one looks at comparable states. New Jersey quite simply has fewer students in public four-year institutions than states of comparable size: 20,000 fewer than North Carolina; 25,000 fewer than Georgia; 35,000 fewer than Virginia; 47,000 fewer than Indiana; and a startling 130,000 fewer than Michigan. The cause of this deficit becomes clear when one realizes that New Jersey, with a population of 8.4 million, has only one large public university, Rutgers University with 49,000 students. After Rutgers, the second largest university in the state is Montclair State University, with 14, 600 students. In comparison, Indiana, with a population of 6.1 million, has four large public doctoral universities, including two major public research universities. Virginia, with a population of 7 million, has six large public doctoral universities, including four research universities. North Carolina, with a population of 8 million, has four large public doctoral universities, including two research universities. Georgia, with a population of 8.1 million, has chosen to build a large number of highly dispersed smaller institutions, in fact, 21 public colleges and universities. However, even Georgia has three sizable research universities. Michigan, with a population of 9.9 million, has eight large public universities, including four research universities and eight doctoral institutions. The contrast to New Jersey could not be more dramatic, and the number of large institutions has an impact on considerably more than just enrollment capacity and flexibility. Large institutions, because they can support more fields of study and high cost instructional and research equipment, add significantly to a state's capacity to attract federal funding and to mount programs in response to strategic state needs.

New Jersey came later than other states to a fully developed sense of the importance of public higher education, both in supporting the economic development of the state and in assuring that economic and other societal obstacles do not limit educational opportunity for all who have the ability to benefit from it. Once the state did develop a serious interest in public higher education, it focused most of its attention on Rutgers, which was to be its flagship institution. Focusing attention on Rutgers was a very good thing, but there was, underlying that attention, the mistaken assumption that Rutgers, essentially single-handedly, could provide the state with all that it needed. Over time, Rutgers was burdened with the task of educating more students than its infrastructure could adequately support, serving the urban centers, producing graduates in the applied and professional fields needed by the state, conducting the research, implementing the land grant mission and supporting the state's agricultural community and marine industries, developing innovative knowledge applications and high tech spin-offs and incubators, addressing the state's diversity needs, and providing a nurturing undergraduate environment. While it was doing all this, it was supposed to become one of the nation's top research universities. And now, Rutgers is being asked to take on all bio-medical and health sciences education and research as well, nor has there been, in the current restructuring discussion, any suggestion that Rutgers may need to narrow its mission a bit if it is to succeed in achieving an ambitious research agenda.

Historically, the burden of this extraordinarily extensive mission has been assumed rather willingly by Rutgers. In an environment characterized by inadequate funding by the state of its public higher education institutions, Rutgers understandably sought to retain a significant portion of the available resources by maintaining a monopoly on the state's higher education mission in the mind of the public, and even more important, in the mind of the legislature. But only a glance at the great flagship research universities in the nation will demonstrate that one of the secrets of their success is that they do not do it all, nor can Rutgers do it all, nor should it have to appear to be doing it all in order to acquire appropriate state funding.

The states with arguably the top four public research universities in the nation, California, Illinois and Michigan, clearly demonstrate the pyramidal structure that most typically enables great flagship institutions to emerge. California, which has the top two public research universities in the nation (Berkeley and UCLA), has buttressed these two with seven other doctoral/research institutions, several of them very highly ranked institutions, as well. Further, these 180,000-student University of California campuses stand on the shoulders of the state's enormous investment in the California State University campuses that serve more than 373,000 students. Those Cal State campuses educate more than two-thirds of California's public university students, provide a variety of high quality educational options and academic programs on campuses that range in size from a few thousand students to 37,000 students, and, in addition to a strong liberal arts core, offer professional and applied programs relevant to the state's economic and social needs. The California State universities and several of the University of California campuses lift from the backs of the state's flagship institutions the lion's share of the burden of meeting the state's broad higher education needs.

Similarly, the 37,000-student University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is set on the shoulders of eleven other public universities, three of which are also research institutions, five of which offer doctoral degrees, and all of which together serve more than 154,000 students. The same pattern can be found in Michigan. The 38,000-student University of Michigan at Ann Arbor is flanked by 14 other public universities, three of which are research universities, seven of which offer doctoral degrees, and all of which together serve more than 238,000 students. The key point is that great public research universities do not exist in a vacuum. Most often, they emerge at the pinnacle of a large and a solid pyramidal foundation of public colleges and universities that are endowed with the mission and the resources to serve the broad educational needs of a state. New Jersey has attempted to raise its tower of excellence on an under-sized and under-resourced foundation.

While New Jersey has permitted the 35,000-student New Brunswick campus of Rutgers to grow to the size of the nation's larger research universities (the top ranked public research universities average a little under 36,000 students), it has quite successfully stifled both the growth and the development of the rest of its public higher education institutions, including the Rutgers campuses at Newark and Camden and the state's other public universities, Montclair State University, Kean University, Rowan University, William Paterson University, the New Jersey Institute of Technology, and New Jersey City University, and its colleges, The College of New Jersey, Richard Stockton College, Ramapo College, and Thomas Edison State College. Both Rutgers and New Jersey have suffered as a result.

At the heart of the problem is the fact that New Jersey's appropriations model provides no recognition to institutions that grow enrollments, develop new academic programs, or improve their facilities. As a consequence, those institutions that do grow to meet enrollment demand or that seek to improve the scope and quality of their programs are forced to spread the same state appropriation over a larger number of students and academic initiatives. As their only recourse, public colleges and universities in New Jersey have been forced to rely on tuition increases to meet at least a modicum of the demands of growth and development. Since 1988, the proportion of the operating budgets of these institutions that is supported by tuition and fees has grown from 29.5% to 44%, and the current cuts in state appropriation will, without doubt, push that percentage even higher in the 2004 fiscal year.

In the area of programmatic growth, New Jersey's higher education bureaucracies and the legislature have traditionally discouraged the academic development of the state's public colleges and universities. While the comprehensive public colleges and universities in our competitor states have been encouraged and funded to grow and develop, to offer advanced degrees, to assist with the state's research agenda, to offer professional programs, to grow both undergraduate and graduate enrollments, and to engage in economic development initiatives, the culture in New Jersey has favored keeping the state's colleges and universities small and as they were in the past and has viewed institutional efforts to respond to the changing needs of the state as, at best, a low priority and, at worst, as a bad thing, to be greeted with suspicion and denigrated as "mission creep."

Added to these disincentives to growth and development, New Jersey, unlike the majority of other states, does not regularly invest in the capital facilities of its public colleges and universities. The capital facilities and major equipment needs of the state's campuses has been documented by the Commission on Higher Education in a

December 2001 report, as well as by independent facilities condition audits conducted by the campuses. The CHE identified unmet capital needs of more than $3.4 billion for New Jersey's 12 public colleges and universities. The state's institutions have been left to make the choice between inadequate facilities, on the one hand, and bonding to build, on the other hand, laying off the obligations of debt service on an operating budget that increasingly must rely on tuition increases to sustain the quality of the campus environment. The CHE report notes that the state's public colleges and universities which are among the most leveraged public institutions in the nation are already carrying more than $1.2 billion in debt and are expending close to $200 million annually in repair and maintenance. A number of New Jersey's institutions are approaching the limits of what the bond-rating agencies assess as responsible debt, and debt service obligations are an increasing portion of under-funded operating budgets. One of the more visible results of the lack of state support for its college and university facilities is the inadequacy of the science and other specialized facilities usually found on the nation's public campuses, as well as the amenities, such as, adequate residence halls, and athletic and recreational facilities.

THE OUT-MIGRATION OF NEW JERSEY STUDENTS

Beyond the burdens it has placed on Rutgers, the under-building of New Jersey colleges and universities has resulted in the state having the highest net out-migration of baccalaureate-seeking students in the nation. New Jersey exports 55 percent of all students seeking a four-year degree, and it imports only a very small number from other states. The net loss to New Jersey is approximately 20,000 students a year, a brain drain of enormous proportions that is not balanced by a comparable in-migration of talented students. When out-of-state students apply to most of New Jersey's public colleges and universities, they often discover that, like so many of our own in-state students, they cannot be promised a dormitory room or guaranteed a place in a high-demand program of their choice. On the other hand, when New Jersey students pay higher tuitions to attend institutions in Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Delaware, they do so, not because the education is superior, but because the campuses in those states have the facilities that their home institutions lack. Popular myth has it that the out-migration of New Jersey students is based on their desire to "go away" to college. In fact, young New Jerseyans, like their elders, are quite passionate about their state. They are not leaving because they want to leave New Jersey; they are leaving because they do want to "go away" to college, that is, go to a college where they can live, go to a campus that looks and feels like a college. That is why New Jersey's public colleges and universities have students tripled up in dormitory rooms, with long waiting lists of students seeking a residence opportunity. That is why students at New Jersey's public institutions have been willing to pay extra fees to fund construction of recreational and other facilities on their campuses.

Net Migration of College Students

Massachusetts	10,282
North Carolina	8,794
Pennsylvania	7,592
Mississippi	2,604
California	2,352
Delaware	1,852
New York	264
Connecticut	-4,477
New Jersey	20,128

A state such as Massachusetts, the only state of a size comparable to New Jersey that has as under-built a public higher education infrastructure, compensates for it with one of the nation's strongest rosters of private institutions. Massachusetts benefits from the presence of Harvard University, the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Tufts University, Boston University, and Brandeis University, not to mention Boston, Amherst, Smith, Mount Holyoke, and Wellesley Colleges, all of which have established national reputations and draw substantial numbers of the nation's most talented students from all over the country. In fact, close to 40 percent of Massachusetts college students are attracted from other states, compared to under 10 percent in New Jersey. The first four of the institutions mentioned above alone were responsible for $787 million in federal research-and-development expenditures in Massachusetts in 2000. New Jersey has, in Princeton University, only one, relatively small nationally recognized private institution. New Jersey's other private institutions are regional in reputation and service, are comparatively small, and the privates as a group serve less than the national average proportion of students in the state, despite the fact that New Jersey is one of only a very few states in the nation that provide direct state appropriation to private colleges and despite the fact that the state's private institutions are allocated the largest share of the state's generous financial aid dollars.

New Jersey ranks first in the nation in spending per student for public K-12 education, but drops precipitously to a ranking of forty-first in the nation per $1,000 of personal income in spending for higher education operating support. In effect, New Jersey has put itself in the anomalous position of making the highest per student investment in K-12 education in the nation, and then, after investing so substantially in the education of its youth, it sends more than 55 percent of its most academically prepared college-bound students to other states. Why would a state that depends so heavily on the quality and education of its available workforce for its economic competitiveness do such a thing as a matter of public policy? Is it possible that New Jersey has cleverly assumed that it need not undertake the financial burden of providing higher education for its citizens? Does New Jersey assume that it can pass that obligation off to other states and to affluent New Jersey parents who can and will pay to send their children to higher cost public and private institutions out of the state? The underlying assumption of such a policy would be that New Jersey need not grow its own workforce, that the state will always be able to import and to attract back to the state all the talented and skilled workers it will need. That assumption is a dangerous one in today's competitive economy. Further, such a policy does not take into account the growing need for education among those segments of the population, including the growing number of new immigrants to the state, who may not have the financial means or the family flexibility to send their children out of state. New Jersey cannot sustain the societal consequences and costs of a large and young population in the state without adequate access to the education they need to be productive contributors to the economy.

While the state's 19 community colleges, serving approximately 125,000 students, are close in size and resources to a number of competitor states of comparable populations, they, too, may be under-built to serve the state's needs. New Jersey has fewer students in two-year college programs than Virginia, Michigan, and North Carolina, although more than in Massachusetts, Georgia and Indiana. Considerable attention has been given by the Commission on Higher Education and the legislature to the ease of transfer of community college students to state colleges and universities. However, transfer students generally constitute no more than 12 percent of community college students. The great majority of community college students are there to acquire specific training and skills to enter or advance in the workforce. It is certainly worth some careful analysis as to whether or not the state's community colleges have adequate capacity in programs directly related to the state's broad workforce needs, particularly in entry-level and specialized employment fields.

Average Tuition for Public 4-Year Colleges

Pennsylvania	$5,918
New Jersey	$5,607
Delaware	$4,797
Connecticut	$4,543
New York	$4,062
Massachusetts	$4,003
Mississippi	$2,967
California	$2,561
North Carolina	$2,299

Average Tuition for Public 2-Year Colleges

New York	$2,557
New Jersey	$2,295
Pennsylvania	$2,285
Massachusetts	$1,891
Connecticut	$1,867
Delaware	$1,680
Mississippi	$1,134
North Carolina	$ 891
California	$ 316

THE UNIVERSITY AND THE CITY

From time to time, a state will determine to make a major investment in public higher education as an economic engine for a particular region. While it is true that, especially in low population and relatively underdeveloped regions, universities can be important, even critical, components of a local economy, it is less true that a university, even a large research university, can drive major economic development where little currently exists. What is true, though, is that it would be hard to point to any of the principal cities in the nation and find one that does not have at least one, and often more than one, large, public or private nationally recognized university. Universities, when combined with corporate and business centers, major cultural institutions, and adequate housing stock can anchor an urban center and contribute to the economic viability, the livability, and attractiveness of a city. In and of themselves, they cannot build a viable city, as distinct from a college town, but, as noted above, almost by definition, there is no such thing as a major American city without a major university.

New Jersey deserves to have at least one important American city, and clearly it should be Newark, the state's most populous city. Newark has a corporate and business base that is capable of growth, it contains what is arguably the state's most important cultural institution, the New Jersey Performing Arts Center, a small remaining core of historical architecture, and a waterfront capable of development. The city's needs are great, and, among them is the need for a nationally recognized university.

The branch campus model of Rutgers has not worked for Newark. Both the Rutgers-Newark campus and NJIT are, like the rest of the state's colleges and universities, under-developed. The leadership and the faculties at these institutions have been strong and committed, and, under the circumstances, their achievements have been exemplary, but neither institution was given either the mandate or the resources to create a major institution. Neither Rutgers-Newark nor NJIT has grown to an appropriate size and neither meets the national Carnegie criteria for categorization as a doctoral/research-extensive university. For all intents and purposes, the great majority of what constitutes the research university within Rutgers is the New Brunswick campus, and it is that campus that is recognized nationally as the research institution.

However, the state's several academic investments in the Newark region, taken together, have the potential to form the core of a major American research university and a nationally recognized university center in Newark. To achieve that vision, the experience of American higher education would suggest that the university center in Newark needs to separate its identity from Rutgers University, it needs planned new investments, strong and independent leadership, a distinguished governing board, and its own prestigious name. It is very difficult to find examples of second campuses of flagship universities in America that have been able to achieve any level of national distinction. It is, however, as noted above, relatively easy to find great research universities in states that also have two, three, four, or even more other strong research and doctoral institutions. A strong and independent university center in Newark would be an important asset to the state.

There are other urban areas in New Jersey that could benefit from a well-developed public university presence, although not necessarily a research university. The most obvious candidate is Jersey City, the state's second largest and rapidly developing city. Jersey City and its surrounding communities along the Hudson would be well-served by state investment in the continued appropriate growth and development of New Jersey City University as a high quality urban, commuter university. There are a number of very successful models of such institutions, including Hunter College just across the river in New York City.

The Vagelos Report addresses the Camden campus of Rutgers in a rather summary manner. The Camden campus is quite small. With just a little over 5,000 students, it is actually the smallest of all the public colleges and universities in New Jersey, and, with the exception of housing one of the state's two public law schools, it is predominantly an undergraduate campus. Nearby Rowan University actually provides South Jersey with its largest and most comprehensive public university, and it is the more obvious candidate for additional state investment if one is judging by the size, scope, and quality of the already available educational resource. Although Camden only ranks as New Jersey's tenth largest city, its strategic location across the river from Philadelphia and its chronic economic depression certainly suggest that a thoughtful higher education solution should be part of any long-range plan for the city. How that solution would fit into the overall context of the higher education needs of South Jersey warrants more consideration than the Vagelos Commission was able to provide within the limited scope of its mandate. Certainly, restricting consideration to the Rutgers–Camden campus would be a significant error.

WHAT DOES NEW JERSEY NEED?

It would be difficult to argue that New Jersey, with its knowledge-based industries, should not have a national reputation for its higher education resources. What then will it take to give New Jersey a public higher education infrastructure that is a fit with its long-term economic and social objectives? Clearly, the Governor and the Vagelos Commission are correct in their assessment that New Jersey's university-based research and development efforts need to be brought to the level of excellence that will achieve high national rankings, will yield a greater flow of federal and corporate research investments, and will enhance the reputation of the state as a place where high-technology industry has a reason to locate. However, those objectives cannot be achieved in a vacuum, and the major imbalances and deficits in the state's public college and university assets will have to be addressed as an integrated part of any solution.

For starters, New Jersey must right-size its public colleges and universities. Two states with strong national reputations for their public higher education, one very large, California, and one close to New Jersey's size, Michigan, have in common that the average size of their public colleges and universities is in the range of 18,000 to 19,000 students. In New Jersey the average size of its public colleges and universities is approximately 12,000, if one counts the three campuses of Rutgers as a single institution, or approximately 10,000, a more accurate reflection, counting the three campuses of Rutgers separately. The effect of this difference is actually quite significant. If the New Jersey average were similar to that in California or Michigan it would provide the additional approximately 70,000 places that would bring New Jersey to the national mean in the provision of public baccalaureate places per capita.

Virginia, a smaller state than New Jersey, with a number of well-known and distinctive small campuses, such as the Virginia Military Institute and William and Mary, still averages approximately 15,000 students for all its public colleges and universities. If New Jersey just reached the Virginia average, it would be able to serve approximately 40,000 additional students, enough to handle the increase in high school graduates that the state will experience and to reverse at least a portion of the out-migration.

Percentage of High School Students Going On to College

Massachusetts	54
New Jersey	54
Connecticut	48
Pennsylvania	47
New York	43
Delaware	42
North Carolina	39
California	34
Mississippi	34

New Jersey must have a plan to expand some, but not necessarily all, of its existing public institutions. Every state can benefit from having several smaller, high quality, liberal arts or specialized colleges to provide one attractive option to in-state students and to attract talented out-of-state students who are seeking a small campus setting in the public sector. In The College of New Jersey, the state has a strong example of that model. But small institutions need to be balanced with several large universities, and there are a number of public institutions in New Jersey that would be excellent candidates for growth, the most obvious being Montclair State University, already the second largest university in the state, the one experiencing the most rapid growth, and the state university with the largest graduate programs. Rowan University in South Jersey is another very strong candidate for growth, and so may be Kean, New Jersey City, and William Paterson Universities.

From time to time, the suggestion is voiced that New Jersey should build one or more additional public colleges. However, national standards would suggest that is not the case. In fact, New Jersey has one college or university for every 700 square miles, while in Georgia, Indiana, North Carolina, and Virginia, states with populations of similar size to New Jersey, there is one public college or university for approximately every 3,000 square miles, and in Michigan, the figure is one for every 6,400 square miles. The problem in New Jersey is not the number of institutions, or even the location of institutions, it is that the state has not developed the full and distinctive potential resident in each of its institutions. For example, relatively modest investments in increased technological resources at Thomas Edison State College could yield significantly increased educational access for non-traditional, working adult students throughout the state. New Jersey has the core higher educational assets that it needs, but many of the state's institutions are just too small, most of them lack adequate facilities, and they all are forced to work against significant disincentives to develop their programs and services to serve the growing needs of the state.

New Jersey must encourage the academic growth and development of all of its colleges and universities in ways that are appropriate to the creation of a broad array of educational opportunities for the state. Institutions such as Montclair State University and Rowan University that are ready to expand their contributions to the state's research agenda and to increase their provision of advanced degrees should be encouraged and supported in those efforts. A strong university research center should be developed in Newark. It will not harm Rutgers to permit these and other long overdue investments in the state's other public higher education assets. The University of Michigan at Ann Arbor is one of the nation's top four public research universities, not despite, but in part because of, the very extensive contributions that Michigan State University, Wayne State University, and Western Michigan University make in meeting many of the important research, professional, and undergraduate and graduate educational needs of the state.

And, finally, New Jersey must invest in public higher education, even though these are difficult times in which to contemplate investments of any kind. There is simply no way around the fact that, if New Jersey wants first class institutions of higher education, appropriately sized to meet the needs of both the state's workforce and the state's growing population, it will have to pay for them. There are a number of reasons why the California public universities are so good, but the most important reason is that California has built outstanding facilities on its campuses and provides funding to support high quality faculty and programs. If one considers the two key measures of state support for institutions, sustained and reasonably predictable operating support and capital facilities investment, any objective assessment will reveal that New Jersey has traditionally and consistently under-funded all of its public institutions, a point confirmed by the Vagelos Commission. If New Jersey's public colleges and universities were to receive the state operating appropriation that comparable institutions in California received, they would receive thousands of dollars more a year per student in operating support and substantially more in support for capital facilities. This differential will not just be found in comparison to California, but also, for example, in a comparison with North Carolina, an east coast competitor state of similar size to New Jersey. That funding difference results in a significant impact in terms of the number of students that can be served and the quality of facilities, numbers of faculty, scope of programs, and research and other initiatives that New Jersey's public colleges and universities can offer to students in New Jersey, and it also results in New Jersey's higher public college tuitions.

THE CHALLENGE

The challenge facing new Jersey is whether or not the political will can be created to address the state's benign neglect of its public colleges and universities and whether or not a truly comprehensive and far-sighted plan for meeting the state's broad higher education needs can emerge from the current deliberations.

It would be an error to think that New Jersey does not have to educate its own workforce. It would be an error to think that New Jersey can continue to off-load the costs of higher education onto individual families. It would be an error to think that New Jerseyans will accept a situation in which an increasing number of young people will be turned away from state colleges and universities because there simply is no room for them. It would be an error to forget the needs that New Jersey has for professionals and highly skilled workers in a very wide range of fields. And it would be an extraordinary error to forget the obligation that New Jersey has to prepare citizens for the new century, citizens who will come to the table with widely differing economic means, citizens reflective of the growing diversity of the state. The long-term economic and social costs of not acknowledging the state's failure, to date, to develop comprehensive public policy in respect to public higher education will be great indeed.

Susan A. Cole is President of Montclair State University, New Jersey's second largest university. She previously served as President of Metropolitan State University in Minneapolis/St. Paul, as Vice President for University Administration and Personnel at Rutgers University, and as Associate University Dean for Academic Affairs at Anitoch University. She is a member of Governor McGreevey's Education Cabinet. She also serves as trustee of The Public Policy Center of New Jersey.

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Florence Lemkau Heyl published an anthology of her nature columns called *You Can Find it Wild.* Heyl began writing the column in the *Call-Chronicle* newspaper of Allentown, Pa. (now the *Morning Call*) in 1970 and continued it in various publications until she was in her nineties.

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Steven E. Schanes was inducted into the Academy of Authors by the International Foundation of Employee Benefits Plans, honored for his contribution to employee benefits education through the printed word. Schanes' book, *ERISA Insights: Voices from the Early Days,* is a collection of stories, anecdotes and opinions.

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Stan Wnek '48 M.A., former head baseball coach at Montclair State and assistant coach for MSU's first undefeated football team, served as grand marshal for the Memorial Day services in Springfield.

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Peter Manetto, an original member at 15 years old of the Bloomfield Symphony Orchestra, reunited with the orchestra for a performance at the winter concert at Bloomfield Middle School. Manetto, who celebrated his 86th birthday, played three solos at the performance. He also is a former member of the New Jersey Symphony and has played with the New Jersey Opera and Pops Orchestra.

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Henry Hermes retired as a professor of mathematics at the University of Colorado (Boulder) after a 30-year distinguished teaching career.

Alvin Picker '55 M.A. has been featured at the member-guest tennis tournament at Hunters Run in Boynton Beach, Fla. for the past two years. A teacher and administrator in the Newark secondary system for 38 years before retiring in 1991, he celebrated his 50th year this summer as a tennis writer and columnist for *The Star-Ledger*.

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John Dankowski '63 M.A. was awarded the USA-ROC Mutual Defense Commemorative Badge from the Republic of China Ministry of National Defense. Dankowski was recognized for his time served in various U.S. Air Force units in East Asia in 1958-60, his work for the Pentagon and the United Nations, and as a teacher in the American School of Taipei.

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James R. Andrews

James R. Andrews, professor emeritus of Communication and Culture and of American Studies at Indiana University, has been awarded the Paul Boase Prize for Scholarship by Ohio University. The award is presented to scholars who have made an outstanding contribution to the study of communication through research that has had a major influence on the direction of scholarship within the field. Andrews will visit Ohio University in October to deliver the Boase lecture.

Richard Taylor '71 M.A. retired after nearly a decade as Northwestern University's athletic director. During his tenure, the Wildcats' football team appeared in the Rose (1996), Citrus (1997) and Alamo (2000) bowls and its basketball team played in the 1999 National Invitational Tournament.

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Arnold Keller, along with colleagues and former classmates, has established a scholarship fund in the name of the late **Vincent Bodino '59 '63 M.A.** Bodino taught mathematics and coached football and track in the Bridgewater/Raritan school system for 26 years. His classmates remember him as a gifted mathematician, a dedicated teacher and a dear friend. The first Vincent Bodino scholarship was awarded in June to a senior at Bridgewater-Raritan High School. For more information contact Keller at 732-494-0897.

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Helen Aslanides retired from her position as a Ridgewood High School history teacher after 42 years with the district.

Yvonne Lovrincich Favaro has retired from teaching science after 30 years and is now writing and editing science textbooks for Prentice Hall Publishing of Upper Saddle River.

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Vinnie Harris served as grand marshal of Belmar's 30th annual St. Patrick's Day Parade. Harris is a charter member and past president of the Friendly Sons of the Shillelagh of the Jersey Shore and a member of the Irish Festival Committee and parade executive committee.

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Michael Ambrosio, a faculty member at Seton Hall University Law School for more than 30 years, was awarded the 2002-2003 Seton Hall University McQuaid Medal for Distinguished Service.

Edwin C. Black, who retired after 25 years as a teacher in Belleville's Music Department, was honored at the spring Belleville High School Orchestra and Chorus Concert.

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James Buchanan '79 M.A. was guest-conductor of the orchestra at the 2003 Northeast Massachusetts Junior High District Festival.

Chuck Mainenti '66 M.A. retired as vice principal of Brookside School, after nearly four decades at Allendale's middle school. His plans include traveling, reading, and playing tennis and golf.

Kathleen Schaible Middleton, founder of the Middleton Early Learning Center, celebrated her 30th school year as an early childhood program director and her 35th year as an educator.

Rita E. Ranucci, who teaches at Somerville (Mass.) High School, was orchestra manager at the 2003 Northeast Massachusetts Junior High District Festival.

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Neil P. Horne Jr. '69 M.A. retired as athletic director of Somerville High School after serving in the position for 12 years. Horne's career in education spans 38 years. During that time he coached basketball at Ridge, Westfield, St. Joseph of Metuchen, Union Catholic and Somerville before becoming athletic director. He led the Westfield boys' team to a state Group IV championship in 1972 and the Union Catholic boys' team to a Parochial A title in 1987. His plans include spending time with his four grandchildren.

Thomas Vannatta, '70 M.A. retired after 20 years as superintendent of the Prospect Park school district. Prior to serving as superintendent, he taught for 14 years and was a principal for three years.

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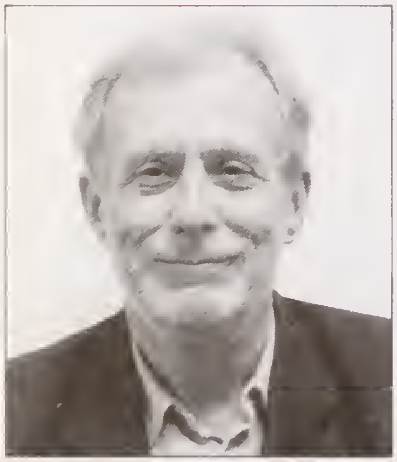
Ronald Mazurek

Ronald Mazurek received a National Award for Teaching Excellence from the National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development. A music professor at Bergen Community College, Mazurek introduced new programs in computer-based recordings, electronic music and music business, and directed an interactive music performance series that involved dance, video, computer animation and drama.

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Linda Sue Galate M.A. received the Caldwell College Veritas Award for Excellence in Christian Historical Research.

Jay Teran

Jay Teran celebrated his 41st year as a professional actor, completing a long run in "Kiss Me Kate" at Akron's (Ohio) Carousel Theatre. His most recent film was "Passage to Hell."

Judy Wagenbach of Mountain Way School was named one of Morris Plains' Teachers of the Year for 2003.

Sarah (Sally) Coleman Wayton has retired from a 32-year career as an English teacher at Mainland Regional High School in Linwood.

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Barbara Flenner Brummer and **Jeffrey D. Bleeke**, who formed the Dirdy Birdies Jug Band in 1965 at MSU, recently performed at Tierney's Tavern in Montclair and were featured in *The Star-Ledger*.

James Lally, Whippany Park High School's Mathematics Department coordinator, was chosen as the 2003 Teacher of the Year by the Hanover Park Board of Education.

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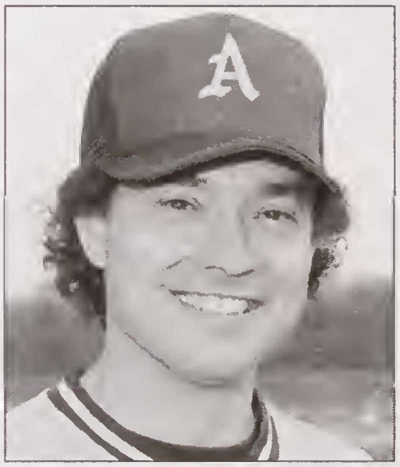
Paul J. Lioy was presented with the Frank A. Chambers Award by the Air and Waste Management Association, a nonprofit organization that provides training, information and networking opportunities to more than 9,000 environmental professionals in 65 countries. A professor of environmental and community medicine at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and deputy director for government affairs at the Environmental and Occupational Health Science Institute, Lioy was honored for his research and scholarly activities on air pollution problems.


Ralph H. Miller

Ralph H. Miller retired from his teaching position at Absegami High School after 34 years in business education. For 26 of those years he was head baseball coach at Absegami, winning 210 games, two conference championships, a state sectional championship and three Coach of the Year awards. Miller also was inducted into the Absegami High School Wall of Fame.

Andrew Paterna received a Ph.D. in kinesiology at the University of Connecticut. He is a professor of exercise studies and coordinator of the Sport and Exercise Studies Department at Manchester Community College in Connecticut.

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Anthony F. Cedola, Jr.

Anthony F. Cedola, Jr., a member of Gamma Delta Chi fraternity, has retired after 31 years of teaching math in the Montclair school district. During those years, Cedola coached boys' soccer, JV baseball, girls' bowling and softball. He was named 1996 Essex County Softball Coach of the Year after leading the Montclair Mounties to their first ever sectional championship.

Linda Warner Mordhorst retired from the North Rockland County school district after teaching at James A. Farley Middle School for 30 years. She will relocate with her husband to New Hampshire.

Joan Osipowitz Paterna was selected as a member of the Hall of Fame at Matawan High School in recognition of her outstanding work in education over the past 33 years. She is a professor of psychology at Manchester Community College in Connecticut.

Varda Wendroff, director of world languages, ESL and bilingual education for the Bayonne school system, was honored in January by the Richard A. Rutkowski Association for her commitment and dedication to making Bayonne a better place for its citizens.

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Ed Buhrer '83 M.A. had his first novel published. *Luray* is the story of a first-year English teacher who not only discovers the thrill of teaching but falls in love and becomes involved in a murder-kidnapping. Buhrer teaches at Louisa County High School in central Virginia.

Jonnette Marie DeMarsico completed the master's program in liberal studies at Rollins College in Winter Park, Fla. She teaches theater arts at Atlantic High School in Port Orange, Fla. and serves as the county's theater liaison.

Beth Dakelman Moroney '78 M.A. is an assistant principal at John P. Stevens High School in Edison.

Dawn B. Sova was awarded the 2002 Mystery Writers of America Award for Best Critical Biography/Nonfiction for her 16th book, *Edgar Allan Poe, A to Z*. Sova was formerly an adjunct professor in the MSU English Department and has been writing full time since 2000. She is working on a book about censored, banned and suppressed drama.

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Marvin Byers has been appointed principal of Edisto High School in Oragenburg, S.C. Since 1999, Byers served as principal of the Developmental Research School at Florida A&M University.

Bob Brewster '81 M.A. has been a science teacher at his alma mater, Westfield High School, for 29 years. He also serves as the ninth-grade football coach and the varsity football coach.

Thomas W. Comiciotto '80 M.A. has been named superintendent of Bloomingdale's K-8 district.

Joseph (Jay) Curtis was executive producer for the 2003-2004 CBS Television Network fall campaign, his eighth season producing spots for CBS. On-air promotional pieces were provided by Curtis's company, Creative Lifeguard in Los Angeles.

Al Mohrman taught Actor's Lab for Adults this past spring. The course is offered by Centenary Stage Company, which focuses primarily on monologue work, with acting technique and scene study.

Evelyn Ortner was honored by the Summit College Club/American Association of University Women with its annual achievement award for exceptional service to women subjected to violence. Ortner was honored as the founder of Unity Group, Inc., a local volunteer organization that has received national recognition for offering assistance to abused women.

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Mary Paetzold has been named to the Board of Directors of Orthovita, Inc., a leading developer of orthopaedic biomaterials.

Richard E. Peterson was awarded the doctor of ministry degree from Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, Calif. After 20 years of serving as a local Christian church pastor, he has returned to the public school classroom teaching American history and psychology to students at Mentor (Ohio) High School.

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Johnny J. Jones serves as president of the Essex County Board of Freeholders.

Anita Pescevich was honored at the 14th annual Lyndhurst Historical Society fund raiser for her role as the first woman to become principal of Lyndhurst High School, where she has served since 1995.

Edwin Selby M.A., along with his co-authors at the Center for Creative Learning in Sarasota, Fla., had a series of textbooks published by Prufrock Press. The elementary, middle and high school level editions of *Thinking with Standards: Preparing for Tomorrow* is aimed at helping students learn the tools and techniques for productive thinking within the context of nationally recognized core content standards.

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Kevin Cooney serves as head baseball coach at Florida Atlantic University where he led the team to the 2002 regional championship. Cooney is the former head coach at MSU ('84-'87) and is a member of the Montclair State University Hall of Fame.

Richard Curci was appointed principal of K-8 Union School in Rutherford.

Michael Gabriele had his pastel landscapes and still lifes on exhibit at the Artisans Touch Gallery in Clifton. Gabriele is a member of the MSU Alumni Association Executive Board and an editor of the daily business publication *American Metal Market* in New York City.

Joseph Koob M.A. is CEO and founder of difficultpeople.org, a Web site offering e-courses, telecourses, coaching services and other resources for individuals and businesses on dealing with difficult people and situations.

Diane Cattle Piazza launched Boncierge.com, a personal concierge service for individuals and corporations in northern New Jersey.

Eugene Sudol M.A. retired as Wayne Hills High School principal after 35 years of service to the district. Sudol plans to spend more time with his family in Naples, Fla. and possibly start a second career in real estate. In addition, he will work as an adjunct professor at Florida Gulf Coast University in Fort Myers where he will mentor teachers on educational methods.

76

Andrew Jannetti

Andrew Jannetti celebrated the 20th anniversary of his dance company, Andrew Jannetti & Dancers. Jannetti has choreographed more than 30 pieces that have been performed throughout the United States and Europe. He serves as artistic director of the company as well as education director at Brooklyn Arts Exchange.

Jean Sheredos Potters was named 2003 Teacher of the Year at Lenape Valley Regional High School in Stanhope where she teaches English and speech. She has been employed there for 20 years.

James Tackach is the author of *Lincoln's Moral Vision: The Second Inaugural Address*, published by the University Press of Mississippi. Tackach is a professor of English at Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I.

77

Lydia Chiappini '87 M.A. has written and illustrated her fifth book, *A Llama's Tale*, about her llama farm, Heaven's Gate. Chiappini also is a professor of art at Warren County Community College and Raritan Valley Community College.

Charles Khoury M.A. has been named superintendent for the Cresskill school district.

Anita J. Siegel M.A., a partner with Schenck, Price, Smith & King and chair of the firm's Tax, Trust and Estate Department, as well as a member of its Business Organizations Department, was selected for the 11th year in a row for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America, 2002-2003*. Siegel is a frequent lecturer and author on estate planning, estate administration and tax issues.

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Annette Catino, president and CEO of QualCare Alliance Networks, Inc., was elected to the Board of Directors of Middlesex Water Company.

Yvonne O'Farrow Hodge has been appointed vice president, Mission Success, for Lockheed Martin Naval Electronics & Surveillance Systems, where she will provide strategic business guidance for all business process initiatives and quality programs.

79

Toni Cecere, well-known in the choral music world for developing and training professional and semi-professional choruses for more than 30 years, serves as artistic and music director of YouthSong, a performance-based youth chorus and voice training program for grades K-12. Cecere also is director of choral activities at Don Bosco Preparatory High School in Ramsey.

Judith Fringuello '84 M.A. had her paintings exhibited at the Haworth Library in Emerson, and a book she wrote and illustrated, *Tim's Place*, was recently published. Fringuello is a finalist in the 2003 Benjamin Franklin Award for book design in one or two colors. The Benjamin Franklin Awards are sponsored by Publishers Marketing Association and celebrate excellence in editorial and design.

Donald Guida M.A., social studies teacher at Hanover Park High School, conducted two workshops in May at the New Jersey State Bar Foundation's Law-Related Education 12th annual conference at the New Jersey Law Center in New Brunswick.

Kathey Harrison, director of Therapeutic Recreation and Volunteer Services at Green Hill Assisted Living Community, spoke at the sixth annual Conference on Alzheimer's Disease for Health Care Professionals in Princeton. Her topic was "Developing Effective and Meaningful Therapeutic Recreational Activities."

Christopher Van Der Stad is the newly elected treasurer of the United Way of Central Jersey. Van Der Stad, a certified public accountant, is president of New Millennium Bank in New Brunswick.

80

Carol Gahart Lehrman, choral director at Wayne Valley High School since 1990, has been named a 2003 recipient of the Passaic County Governor's Teacher of the Year Award. She also was listed in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, 2002.

Diane Summerville Lockward M.A. had a book of her poems, *Eve's Red Dress*, published. She also is traveling and doing poetry readings.

John P. Manos, president and chief executive of DKB and Partners, a Morristown-based advertising and public relations agency that specializes in consumer products and services, was inducted into the 2003 New Jersey Advertising Club Hall of Fame, which honors individuals who have contributed significantly to the advertising profession of New Jersey.

Wayne Peragallo, vice president of information systems for the Asbury Park Press, received the President's Ring for outstanding performance from Gannett Co. Inc. for the second consecutive year.

Glenn E. Tynan, chief financial officer and vice president of finance for Curtiss-Wright Corporation, was named New Jersey Financial Executive of the Year by the Morris-Essex Chapter of the Institute of Management Accountants.

Maureen T. Wolff-Reid serves as president of Sharon Merrill Associates, a Boston-based investor relations agency she joined when it was founded in 1985.

81

Kevin Lee Allen, of the award-winning production design firm Kevin Lee Allen Design, Inc., was hired by the U.S. Navy to redesign its single sailor recreation facility at the Naval Weapons Station Earle in Colts Neck, N.Y.

Laura Benson was presented with the Girl Scouts of Ocean County Women of Achievement Award. She is a principal in the law firm Berry, Sahradnik, Kotzas, Riordan & Benson, P.C. She also serves as assistant county counsel for Ocean County.

Dorothy Christman has completed her residency at the Turley Family Health Center in Clearwater, Fla. She and a colleague opened Harborside Family Medicine practice in Palm Harbor, Fla.

Nancy Benson Georgette '98 M.A., '03 M.A., a vice principal at Woodrow Wilson Elementary School in Elizabeth, was included in *Who's Who Among America's Teachers*, 2002.

Nancy O'Keefe Hamstra was named Emergency Medical Services Administrator of the Year by the State of New Jersey, Department of Health and Senior Services. She is the director of Newark's University Hospital's Emergency Medical Sevices (EMS), the largest comprehensive EMS system in New Jersey.

Karen Iacullo-Martino was promoted to executive vice president of First Sentinal Bancorp, Inc. and its subsidiary, First Savings Bank. Since joining the bank in 1984, she has served as auditor, compliance officer, security officer, and most recently, senior vice president.

Ron Naples

Ron Naples, president of Maple Mountain Hospitality, a hospitality consulting group he owns with his wife Beth, has been named assistant professor at New York University. He has been an adjunct instructor in the School of Continuing and Professional Studies, Preston Robert Tisch Center for Hospitality, Tourism and Sports Management at NYU for the past 12 years. Naples served as MSUAA president from '96 to '98.

82

Patricia Buchanan M.A., a retired teacher from Montclair High School, teaches classes in watercolor, drawing and design for beginners and more advanced artists for the Bloomfield Art League, sponsored by the Bloomfield Recreation Department.

Sylvan Hershey M.A. was named principal of Hillsdale School in Closter.

Vic Sofras received a master's degree in law from the University of Manchester, United Kingdom, and is practicing law in the European Union.

83

Albert M. Abbood was appointed vice president of sales and procurement for front-end merchandising by Eckerd Corporation of Clearwater, Fla.

Andrew J. Pavlica serves as the president of the Bergen County Municipal Clerks Association. He has been the city clerk of Garfield since 1987 and is a registered municipal clerk and a certified municipal clerk.

84

Janice Austin led the Hamburg office of Weichert Realtors in marketed listings in March.

Donald J. Korotsky was elected president of the California Public Parking Association. The statewide association is involved with solving parking problems through new technologies and lobbying public officials.

85

Alice Mathis M.A. was named director of Student Activities at Florida A&M University. Previously, Mathis was the director of the Office of Student Life at the University of Iowa.

86

Diane Belle was promoted to vice president of corporate communications for Delta Dental Plan of New Jersey.

Pat Biondi M.A. traveled to the Dominican Republic, which he does annually, to treat poverty-stricken children with hearing problems. Biondi, an audiologist, serves 4,000 patients in his two New Jersey offices.

Manuel B. Losada became president and chief executive officer of TMI Holding, Inc., a Wellington, Fla.-based company developing opportunities within the manufacturing sector.

James R. Paganelli serves as freeholder, District IV of the Essex County Board of Freeholders.

Wendy Shultz Pavlicek has been promoted to director of Supplier Management at Sandy Alexander, Inc. after serving one year as assistant manager in Estimating Services.

Joe Scafidi was named a co-head of U.S. equity trading for Banc of America Securities where he will trade telecom and media stocks. Scafidi has worked on Wall Street since 1986 and has been a senior position trader for 13 years.

Joyce A. Snider M.A. was named superintendent of Ridgewood's K-8 district.

87

Joe Caruso appears in reruns of HBO's "Autopsy," episode eight, titled "Dead Giveaway," playing a principal role as the murderer. In addition, one of his plays debuted as a staged reading at the 12 Miles West Theatre Company in Montclair.

88

Mariellen Dugan was appointed chief of staff to the state's new attorney general. In her new position, Dugan oversees 9,000 employees among the 10 divisions in the larger Department of Law and Public Safety. She assists the attorney general in carrying out a number of initiatives concerning consumer protection, consumer fraud, State Police reform and political corruption.

Gregory Gierwielaniec was appointed vice president of finance and controller for AdvancePCS, a national leader in healthcare services.

Karen Lust, a teacher at Roosevelt Intermediate School, was one of two teachers named Oustanding Intermediate School Teacher of the Year by the Optimist Club of Westfield, which established the award to recognize the importance of teaching in the intermediate grades.

Theresa Schiffenhaus '92 M.A. was hired as Madison school district's special education director for grades K-12.

89

Dana McPartland Bascietto earned a master's degree in special education/learning disabilities from William Patterson University.

Rod J. Stubina earned a Ph.D. in applied anthropology. He works at the World Bank in Washington, D.C.

90

Mark S. Condon received tenure at Dutchess Community College, State University of New York.

Claudia Sanders

Claudia Sanders M.A. has been certified to offer Peggy Huddleston's Prepare for Surgery, Heal Faster workshops for people facing surgery, chemotherapy or radiation. She offers the one-hour workshops to individuals and groups at the Siegler Center for Integrative Medicine at Saint Barnabas Ambulatory Care Center in Livingston.

91

Valerie Bernhardt, a lyric soprano, recently portrayed Mimi at the Boheme Opera Company's production of "La Boheme" at Patriots Theatre at the War Memorial in Trenton.

Henry N. Kobik was named supervisor of social studies and world languages at Absegami High School in Mays Landing. He also will coordinate the advanced placement program as well as supervise the moderators of the mock trial program, model U.N., academic competition and other programs.

David R. Pospisil '95 M.B.A. has been named sales manager/owner direct for Trane New Jersey, which provides indoor comfort systems and comprehensive facility solutions for residential, commercial and industrial building needs. He also has been re-nominated as chair of the Liberty Health Foundation Board, the philanthropic arm of Jersey City Medical Center, Greenville Hospital, and Meadowlands Hospital and Medical Center.

92

Richard Colloca was promoted to senior manager for Amper, Politziner & Mattia in the firm's accounting and auditing department.

Nathan L. Fisher was promoted to principal of Abraham Clark High School in Roselle.

Karl Pisarczyk earned an M.B.A. from New York University's Stern School of Business with a double major in finance and entrepreneurial studies. He is a financial analyst at the McGraw-Hill Companies in New York City.

93

Kim Barnes Arico is the new coach of the Seton Hall women's basketball team, the Red Storm. She played three seasons at MSU (1989-93) and was the team's captain and leading scorer in 1991-92. Her husband Larry is the head football coach at William Paterson.

Robert Peluso was promoted to vice president of NorCrown Bank in Livingston.

Ellen Ruane-Johnson was named operations director of the North Maple Inn, Basking Ridge.

95

Patricia E. Dougherty earned an M.B.A. in management of information systems from Seton Hall University. During her studies, she participated in one study abroad program in Poland and a second in Ireland. Dougherty has worked as a business analyst at AIG in New York City for the past five years.

Louis Pellegrini joined Einson Freeman, an Upper Saddle River-based sales promotion agency, as information technology manager.

96

Ronald Albanese was featured in the *Current* of Hoboken for his work as a children's entertainer. Albanese performs as "Polka Dot" the clown at parties throughout New Jersey.

Donna M. Jakubik '01 M.A. was appointed principal of Sayreville Middle School.

Carrie A. Trust accepted a position as a senior scientist at Advanced Diagnostic Systems, a Johnson & Johnson company. She will be responsible for the research and development of a breast cancer diagnostic test. Trust recently was certified as a Six Sigma Excellence Black Belt and is pursuing an M.B.A. in pharmaceutical studies at Fairleigh Dickinson University.

97

Gennady Kupershteyn was a featured interviewee on CNBC's segment on extreme investing.

Gale Richter, a substance awareness counselor for the Orange Board of Education, was named Essex County Volunteer of the Year by the Governor's Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

Elizabeth Voltman '02 M.A. was a recipient of the 2003 Commissioner's Distinguished Teacher Candidate Award. The award annually recognizes the 15 top graduates of teacher preparation programs administered by New Jersey colleges and universities.

98

Norman Eckstein was promoted to tax collector for the township of Boonton. He will maintain his responsibilities as the township's chief financial officer.

Steve Finkelstein was appointed head basketball coach of Madison High School. Finkelstein is in his fourth year as a history teacher at Madison Middle School.

Dan Patak has been freelancing as an actor and musician and is employed with the educational theater company Good Clean Fun and Worldstrides education tours. Patak also is a substitute percussionist in the Broadway pit orchestra of Disney's "The Lion King." In addition, he will release a pop/rock recording this year.

99

Nicola Iannitelli has been working at New York Life since 1999 and was promoted to partner in 2001.

Keely McCool was awarded a New Jersey State Council on the Arts fellowship in sculpture, which she plans on using to build her portfolio. Her work can be seen in Archi+Texture at Brooklyn Fireproof Gallery in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, N.Y. in October. She also is taking part in the Studio Montclair exchange with Montclair's sister city Graz, Austria, and will be exhibiting her work there in December.

Michael J. Meyers M.A. was appointed Waldwick Middle School principal.

Allison M. Payne and her fiancée Jay Lynch started a signs and vinyl lettering business, Allicat Graphics, Inc. in Pine Beach.

00

Salvatore Bivona was sworn in as a New Jersey Transit police officer in February. He graduated from the Sea Girt Police Academy and is a former New Jersey corrections officer.

Margot T. McCray Gough opened a dance school in Atlantic Highlands. The MTM Dance Factory offers innovative and challenging experiences for the more serious as well as the recreational dancer. Some of McCray Gough's classes includes funk-styles (popping), house-styles, which stem from break dancing, salsa/meringue, the Brazilian groove and soca soaka (island aerobics). She also offers master classes, live music, live performances and special events.

Catherine Dokachev Kondreck, a local teacher from the Caldwell/West Caldwell School District, was selected to attend one of 31 summer study programs supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities. Kondreck participated in a seminar, "Holocaust and Humanity in the 21st Century."

Jessica Percodani has been elected chair of the American Psychological Association of Graduate Students. She will serve a three-year term with the responsibility to oversee the organization in developing priorities to ensure the continued representation of the needs and interests of psychology students across the nation.

01

Barry Bachenheimer M.A. is the new principal at Florence M. Gaudineer Middle School in Springfield.

Michael Katz is the football coach of A.L. Johnson High School in Randolph, where he also teaches business and computer classes.

Adeline Roccella is a beauty consultant with Mary Kay Cosmetics.

Suzanne Snyder directed the Millburn High School production of "Brigadoon." She is an English/creative writing teacher at Millburn High School. She also directed "Arsenic and Old Lace" earlier this year.

Deborah Velasquez M.A. became a certified adapted physical educator through Adapted Physical Education National Standards. She teaches high school health and physical education, including classes for the developmentally disabled.

02

Leigh Bello-deCastro received the Chair Academy's Region E, New Jersey Outstanding Regional Leadership Award for her work as coordinator of Essex County College's Tutoring Center. The Chair Academy is a national leadership organization housed on the Mesa, Ariz. campus of Maricopa Community College and is designed to address academic and administration leadership training concerns for department chairs.

Jennifer Johnston is teaching creative arts and humanities at Academy Charter High School in South Belmar. The school enrolls students of urban backgrounds from the areas of Asbury Park and Neptune in a family-like atmosphere with 200 students and 20 faculty members.

Irene Laschiver Kupershteyn has been hired as a first grade teacher in Hasbrouck Heights.

Group News

Judson J. Fink '53, '55 M.A. and **Fred T. Pregger '48, '50 M.A.** were the first two recipients of The New Jersey Section, American Association of Physics Teachers Award for lifelong contributions to physics education at the New Jersey Science Convention last year. Fink and Pregger had parallel careers teaching physics at West Orange High School and at Trenton State College, now The College of New Jersey (TCNJ). They both hold the rank of Professor Emeritus of Physics at TCNJ.

Dean Spinogatti '95 and **Robin Whitesell Dente '84** have formed two companies, Urban Biologics, a sports nutrition company, and Sterling Grant Laboratories, which distributes diet/weight loss and anti-aging products. Urban Biologics is distributed worldwide and is carried in all major health food stores. Sterling Grant Laboratories was just voted "#1 online retailer for women's health products" in *Oxygen* magazine. Both companies are based in Totowa.

Michelle Clemack '00, Kevin Scott Collins '99, Genaro Martinez '02, Bernadette Matten '98, Stacey A. Myers-Smith '98, Cecly Placenti '99 and **Misty L. Wirth '00** have formed a new dance company, Six Degrees Dance Company, Inc.

Matt Kawczynski '99 is the new program director of the high school program and **Megan Muckelmann '00** is a co-director of drama/improv for the Stars of Tomorrow Performing Arts Camp in Cranford, a summer program for kids ages three through high school designed to enhance a child's talents and strengths in dance, voice and drama.

Engagements

Karen A. Lutz '90 to Daniel H. Bartnick. A November 2003 wedding is planned.

Jennifer Seyler '92 to Stephen Ianneillo. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

Thomas J. Korshalla '94 to Monica Tapia. A May 2004 wedding is planned.

Cynthia Ann Frisch '97 to Anthony **Enrico Pucci '97**. A September 2004 wedding is planned.

Thomas J. Muller '98 to Kerri Suljic. A May 2004 wedding is planned.

Allison M. Payne '99 to Jay Lynch. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

Christine A. Farrell '00 to Kenneth Betros. A July 2004 wedding is planned.

George E. Gallagher '01 to Danielle M. Brigandi. A spring 2004 wedding is planned.

Jamillah C. Hargrove '01 to Eric Parker. A June 2004 wedding is planned.

Allison Ragonese '01 to **Brett Scully '01**. A July 2004 wedding is planned.

Charles W. Lopez '02 to Lauren Gayle Yablonsky. (daughter of **Maxine '71** and **Alan '72 M.A. Yablonsky**). A July 2004 wedding is planned.

Jill M. Nuber '01 to Michael J. Lubin. A November 2003 wedding is planned.

Timothy J. Sager '97 to Alexandra B. Gadomski. A November 2003 wedding is planned.

Marriages

Annemarie L. Weiner and David Galofaro

Mark S. Condon '90 to Carrie Carpenter on June 20, 2003
Hendor Rodriguez '90 to Janelle VanLant on Nov. 30, 2002
Jennifer Kibbel '93 to David Sprinzen on July 6, 2003
Dany M. Bouchedid '94 to Avianca Marie Hansen on April 19, 2003
Jon P. Heins '94 to **Michelle M. McCroy '96 '98 M.A.** on May 23, 2003
Denise Lynn Montefusco '94 to Robert Anthony Ford on Dec. 14, 2002
Alex Thaler '94 to Valerie Sandler on June 22, 2003
Cybil K. Goshen '95 to Bill Binan on April 19, 2003
Regina Alice Wu '95 to Dennis Chiu-Hsin Lu on June 16, 2003
Cherilyn C. Guido '96 to Christopher B. Carlsen on Nov. 16, 2002
Melissa Ileana Froio '96 to Mario Rodriguez on Aug. 11, 2002
Michelle Pushkin '98 to Fedele Gianni on Sept. 29, 2002
Jason H. Gerb '98 to **Joanne P. Scarpa '99** on Oct. 7, 2001
Pamela Lorie Bittner '99 to Brett Alan Bern on May 31, 2003
Kristin Eisele '99 to Harold Gaitan on Oct. 25, 2002
Elisabeth Ann Pogirnicki '99 to Matthew Paul Simon on Aug. 17, 2003
Jessica L. Kazimer '01 to **Robert M. Catalano '00** on April 27, 2003
Annemarie L. Weiner '03 M.A. to David Galofaro on Nov. 3, 2002

Births

To **Susan Maslo Kozak '85** and Robert Kozak, a daughter, Kaitlyn Elizabeth, on March 25, 2003
To **Laura Cohen Baker '88** and Paul Baker, a daughter, Emily Morgan, on May 12, 2002
To **Susan Lyon Meggiolaro '88** and Steven Meggiolaro, a son, Travis Michael, on Dec. 7, 2002
To **Stephen M. Ruggiero III '89** and Anne Marie Ruggiero, a daughter, Madison Paige, on March 24, 2003
To **Vincent A. Desiderioscioli '91** and Audrey Desiderioscioli, a son, Anthony Warren, on Jan. 20, 2003
To **Darlene Ford Kiss '91** and Andrew Kiss, a son, Trevor Heath, on March 4, 2003
To **Scott Searles '92** and Audrey Searles, a son, Jude Scott, on April 10, 2003
To **Joretta Wong Cultrara '94 M.A.** and **Anthony Cultrara '93**, a daughter, Zoe Ariana, on Jan. 9, 2003
To **Kimberly Russell-McGowan '94** and **Vincent McGowan '92 '94 M.A.**, a daughter, Mallory Bergen on July 30, 2002
To **Robert P. Sansone '94** and Heidi Sansone, a daughter, Madeline Jayne, on Jan. 8, 2003
To **Jennifer Applegate Schwester '94** and **Daniel Schwester '94**, a son, William Mason, on April 8, 2003
To **KellyAnne Skorka Ydrovo '94 '00 M.A.** and Douglas Ydrovo, a daughter, Jacqueline, on Oct. 31, 2002
To **Aimee Cardarelli Wolsko '96** and **Darrin P. Wolsko '97 '03 M.A.**, a son, James Darrin, on April 8, 2003
To **Winsome Wynter Clenord '01** and Moslin Clenord, a daughter, Ashleigh Renee, on March 3, 2003

In Memoriam

Edith Eklund '26
Helen Catherine Dohrmann '28
Dorothy Adolph Post '28
Eleanore Dooley Aylett '32
Florence Blake Cohan '33
Angelina Papa Gouse '33 '41 M.A.
Walter C. Hill '33
Helen Zimmerman Duursema '35 '39 M.A.
Jules Brick '36
Elinore Hafstrom DeGroodt '36
Zelda Cohen Friedman '36

That's Life

In Memoriam

Marie Mulcare Cowan '37
Virginia Campbell Bucknam '38
Leon Woldorff '38
Janet McCaig Braun '39 '45 M.A.
Mary Jane Ellsworth Diehl '40 '60 M.A.
Claire Herman LaSala '40 '66 M.A.
Jeanne Lawton Hamilton '40
John S. Herron '42 M.A.
Shirley Feinsmith Graham '49
Elizabeth Pensare Ludwig '51
Sister Anita Sibilia '54 '60 M.A.
Edward Buzinky '59 '62 M.A.
Thomas Ruggiero '59 M.A.
Roger B. Gawe '60
George C. Schlenker '61 M.A.
Israel "Ike" Tribble '62
Audrey Peters '65
Patricia Martin Odenwelder '70
John G. Griwert '71
Mary A. Venskus '71 M.A.
Donald Stewart '72
Kenneth A. Basinski '72 '77 M.A.
Jessie Mae Gist '75 M.A.
Theodore J. Durante '76
Gail C. Harris '76 M.A.
Robert McLaurin '76
Evelyn Sisco '77
Wayne F. Stymacks '77 M.A.
Marie A. Durso '78 M.A.
Ellen Patricia Cardinale '79
Lyllyth Wilches DeMarco '79
Carmelina Poleri '80
Don Burstein '74
Carl H. Steller '74
William Waddilove '75 M.A.
Leon Walsky '49
Dennis M. McCarthy '79
George P. Hilger '81
Brian T. Doyle '89
Jody Alexis Wilk '89
Samuel Zitter '97

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Notes from Panzer

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

A very happy 92nd birthday to **Hazel M. Wacker '33**. I'm a few months late, but the bright spirit and cheers are there for you. Wishing you well.

Another lifetime North Jersey resident has made the big move south—South Jersey that is. **Rose Marie Battaglia '51** is happy to be settled in her new home "down the shore." Break out the barbecue and beach chairs…here we come.

Pat Parkerton '51 and a friend took on that seemingly endless drive to Florida. The rewards were well worth the ride—good beach days and terrific visits with longtime friends.

Margar Zantow Erickson '54 and husband Bob made the move from Cape Cod, Mass. to Florida, the sunshine state. This year they enjoyed many camping trips covering Key West, Texas, Nachez Trace and Montana to mention a few. Along the way there were many visits with family and friends that kept them busy. Back in Florida, "Ginger" and Bob got together with Jeff and **Lillian (Ramirez) Silirie '54** and Joan Greenberg Askinase in Delray Beach for talk of the good times in the 'ol Panzer days. Not long after, the Ericksons got together with **Mal Simon '54** and his wife Diane for brunch in St. Petersburg. They sure know how to fill up a calendar.

More reunions: **Mal Simon '54** and wife Diane met up with **Everett Zabriski '54** and his wife Betty. Everett and Betty were RVing their way south and west, ending up with their son who resides in Nevada. The 54ers really get around.

Catching up with news of **Violet Appelgit Indyk '55** and her many activities. Violet retired in 1992 after having taught health and physical education in Morris County for 36 years. She was the New Jersey Recreation Education Association's "Volunteer in Action." Violet is on the executive board of the Dover Auxiliary, a group that raises money for improvements to St. Clare's Hospital, Dover. Volunteering at the hospital's Dover gift shop, fund raising at Roxbury Library, assisting new students at the Ironia Square Dance Club, and a docent donning Victorian attire to conduct tours at the Waterloo Village are just a few of the activities Vi enjoys in retirement. No doubt many are happy for the time she gives.

Jo Truppa Polhemus '57 and husband Bob made the journey to Las Vegas, but gambling wasn't the name of the game. It was a journey of love to visit with their twin granddaughters who are not quite a year old. I bet these grandparents smiled the entire time.

Adelay Bopp Idler '63 spearheaded the 12-member Laguna Women's Club in raising money to purchase thermal imagers for the Elk Grove Fire Department. Thermal image cameras are carried into smoke-filled buildings to reveal victims to rescuers. The group's goal is to purchase four imagers at $10,000 each. They are well on their way and recently presented the Fire Department with its first camera. Adelay also is a volunteer at the American Cancer Society Discovery Shop. When not volunteering, Adelay and her husband of 37 years, Patrick, get away to vacation in places like Australia and Tasmania. The Idlers are the proud parents of three daughters and grandparents to six grandsons.

We have another retiree. **Thomas "Tom" Vannatta '65** finally did it after 37 years with the Prospect Park school district. Tom served as a teacher for 14 years, a principal for three years and superintendent for 20 years. Now living in New Hampshire, Tom is active in the community of Newbury participating in a variety of field sports, trying his hand (and feet) at rock and ice climbing. Sound good? He highly recommends retirement.

Keep those letters coming. Send news for Notes from Panzer to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail Lois at ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Notes from Panzer" in the subject line.

In Memoriam:
Leo W. Moran '50
Joan Audrey Brown '53
Olive Parkhurst '58

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Christopher Belcuore '95
Douglas '53 and Patricia Ackerman Bissett '53
James '84 and Catherine McMullen Blake '85
Mary Farina Bondon '38
Nancy Di Grazia Carver '73
Sonia Wagner Cohan '40
Irene Dec '73 '80 MA
Paul Devido '97
Lydia Eckstein
Norman Eckstein '98
Carylmead Tryon Eggleston '61
Dominick Ferrara '60
Seymour Fleisher
Marie Frazee Baldassarre '43 '46 MA
William Gelman '43
Angelo Genova '75
Rudolph Giglio '84
Lenore Clemente Gleason '68 '74 MA
William '39 '42 MA and Elva Freile Gordon '38
Rochelle F. Grossman '43
Jean Haring Hall '50
James '73* and Ann Wilson Hartmann '62
William '36 '39 MA* and Jo Cavaliere Helstrom '45 '48 MA
Diane Hipkins '92
Cheryl Hopper '95 MA and John Mooney
Ann Weber Hoyt '43
Gunter Kuhnis '47
Audrey Vincentz Leef '43
Karen Cooper Lindholm '78
Harry '69 and Barbara Skolkin Long '70 '73 MA
Robert Lytle '42
Anthony Malanga '85
Eleanor Hagen Maloney '33
Nicholas Matarazzo '79
Ronald '81 and Beth McNeilly Naples '81
Kent Papsun '73
Susan Rooney Peach '49
Stephen Pepe '65
Diani Santucci Delle Chiaie '74
Steven Eli Schanes '43
Conrad Schmitt '58
Inge Stafford '79 MA
Paul '74 and Annamary Ladanye Stahlin '74
Miriam Taub '70
Anita Abbott Timmons '76
Margaret Burns Velden '64
Edith Haas Ver Nooy '52
Gerald Waller '69 '73 MA
Eleanor Olson Weems '38
Madelon Grimm Wehner '39
Protase Woodford '57 '62 MA

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James Andreano '74
Cynthia Lepre Barnes '72
Louise Friedman Barth '40
Doris Lew Beck '50
Debra Biderman '69
Ronald Bosland '53
Paul Buerck '87
T. Donald Cairns '61
Leigh Carr '78
Annette Catino '78
Brian Cox '00
Eleanor Pedersen Craig '32 '34 MA
Peter Crocitto '83
Michael '94 and Jennifer Zeppi Crudele '94
Virginia De Lalla '75
Victor '73 and Janey Troyano DeLuca '68
Kenneth Wolff '63 and Dorothy Deremer '63 '65 MA
Frederick Deusinger '42
Dorothea Gorski Dul '39
Alana Edelmann '73 MA
Ronald '41 and Edith Greer Engelhardt '40
Edith Feisner-Anfeis '81
William Fitzpatrick '91
Donald A. '49 '51 MA and Dolores O'Keeffe Fusco '49
Holly Petersen Gera '79
Ellen Gibba '73 '76 MA
Dianne Gregg '77
Ruth Kantenwein Griffin '41 and Forest Griffin
Joseph Grundy '81
George Iannacone '54 '59 MA
Ernest Jones '72 '73 MA
Stewart '82 and Judith Echeveria Linder '83
George Lista '84
Helene Milden Ludwig '81
Ruth Mc Morrow '78
Thomas McDonnell '70
Andrew Melitz and Tracy McVeigh '82
Frank '41 and Gertrude Cook Meninger '40
Anne Albert Miller '45
Nickos Milonas '87
Edmund Moderacki '68
Nel Rieth Noddings '49
Charles Noonan '73
Edith Brodskey Oxfeld '41
Roger Palmisano '79
Carol Purcell '80
Corinne Mazzocchi Rinaldi '55
Lois McCrum Robertson '44
Elizabeth Zentgraf Rose '44
Maria Schantz '60 MA
Thomas '57 and Rosemarie Bates Seippel '58
John Shawcross '48
Joseph Snow '63
Max Sobel '47
Peter Stankov '83
Frank '60 and Barbara Zaccardi Strobert '59
Mary Quinn Thieleke '94
Russell Todaro '74
Maria Tome '80
Rita Ullrich '59
Kermit '64 MA and Zelda Korland Vogel '38
Judith Yannarelli '92

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William Allen '36
Frank Almroth '48 MA
Mark Arnold '98 MA
Joseph '62 '65 MA and Marie Bagnato Attanasio '65
Susan Fitt Atwater '56
Carol Aughenbaugh '66
Patricia Bataille '72
Sue Keil Beck '57
Alice Sharkey Benazzi '70
Ethel Strauss Berman '49
Christine Steip Botts '65
Lisa C. Buono '79
Dorothea Burns '58 '62MA
Jeffrey '83 and Diane Hofmeister-Campo '83
Anthony Carlino '77
Edward '51 '56 MA and Jean Trotta Cooper '50 '60MA
Rita Stack Crawford '49 '56 MA
Ella Curren '33
James Cushman '88
Donald Darlington '67 '72 MA
Kim Muller Davies '89
Denise DeBlasio '80 MA
Thomas '53 and Mary Mc Cloud Decker '53 *
Steven Deckert '99
Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 MA
John DePalma '79
Daniel Doherty '79
Maryann Bond Doherty '58
Rowena Duran '78
Jeanette Randall Durham '67
Bruce Estell '66 '76 MA
William Fantry '56
Eugene '68* and Zulima Fereaud Farber '68
Victor '53 '72 MA and Florence Conforti Felano '53 '72 MA
Joseph Ferrie '50 '56 MA
Judy Mongiello Fortunato '85
Kurt Franke '85
Harriet Olin Freedman '47
Adam '50 '55 MA and Nancy Stack Geyer '51
Linda Giarrusso '90 '01 MS
Marion Scraver Gibba '40
Gertrude Nenninger Goble '48
Marian Abate Gorman '94
Leonard Greaney '89
Donald '51 '56 MA and Audrey Korsak Gregg '71 MA
Margaret Hait '70 '76 MA
Kenneth Hamm '76
Ashley Hammond '94
Karen Hausmann '74 MA
Juanita High '51
John '40 '47 MA and Eleanor Pellet Hoagland '40
Richard Hodson '61 MA
Alan '69 and Kathryn Hough Holley '68
Katherine Pavlovich Holmberg '39
John '50 '57 MA and Agnes Doran Howarth '51
Arthur Humphrey '95 MA
Harold '69 and Nancy Grant Hutchinson '69, '02 MA
Janine Iannarelli '83
Elin Johnston '60 MA
Fred '70 and Loretta Labuza Keimel '85 MA
Richard Kelly '67 '70
Sue Nielsen Kelly '67
Patricia Kern '69
Margaret Michaels Kiser '74
Mary Diane Baliman Kluth '54
Joseph Komarek '71
Marjorie Mackerley Kops '36 '48 MA

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Miriam Sachs Kranser '55
S. Marie Kuhnen '41
Robert '69 '72 MA and Susanne Otto Kuipers '69 MA
Sieger "Zig" Kwiatkowski '54 '59 MA
Gerald '63 '71 MA and Florence Perna Labenski '63 '81 MA
Robert Lombardi '93
Daniel '43 and Gloria Insinna Longhi '43
Eleanor Bell Lyght '84
Kenneth Malone '67 '73 MA
Ruth Polasik Mazujian '78
Nicholas Mazzucco '56
James McGilvray '41
Michael McKeen '88
Richard Melando '76
Robert Meyer '67 '70 MA
Peter Michell '75
Douglas Miller '77 MA
Judith Feil Miller '62
Sylvia Platzer Miller '36
Milton Mirsky '41
Joan Kurz Morris '60
Michael Murphy '73 '77 MA
Patrice Genco Nichas '83
Michael O'Hara '82
Krista Occhiuto '01
William Oliver '71 MA '82 MA
David Orlofsky '92
Devra Schneider Parks '51
Catherine Paskert '50
Andrew Pavlica '83 and Joan Preztunik '82
Ruth Sickert Payne '46
Jane Branson Phillips '42
Fred '67 MA and Jacqueline Bishar Pieroni '60 '70 MA
F. Karen Telofski Pomnitz '68 '92 MA
John Powell '81 '93 MBA
Barbara Purdy '76 '82 MA
Corine Fennell Radice '58
Kathleen Ragan '74 '80 MA
David Randolph
Robert Rebimbas '97
Florence Perell Reichler '42
Robert '52 MA and Edith Anderson Rights '62 MA
Ann Rimicci '96
Rita Tiernan Rinehart '52
Patricia Snyder Robinson '75
Nelson Rodriguez '94 and Lisa Latorre-Rodriguez '94
John Rubinetti '92
Peter '74 and Darsan Majury Russo '75
Philip and Barbara Gibbons Ruziska '63 '75 MA
Raymond '78 and Lauren Starrett Salani '79
Eunice Thompson Samer '50
Werner Schanzenbach '51
John Schmitt '81
David Sheridan '82 '91 MA
Michael '70 and Mary Ann Leonard Siklosi '70
Mary Sorace '77
James Spry '54
Cesare Stefanelli '84
Jack Stempler '43
Howard Stern '49
Thomas Stewart '70
Eleanor Svec '47 '50 MA
Anne Kobryn Teuscher '46
Roberta Brown Thaxton '57 '81 MA
Thomas Tiefenbacher '62
Carol Schneider Tomason '70
Carolyn Troast '84
Susan Turner '95
Katherine Van der Mey '97 MA
Cathy Vayianos '61
Barbara Carroll Verdile '64
Riccardo '65 '72 MA and Carol Fiehn Vivona '80 '85
James Wassel '73 '78 MA
Nathan Weiss '48
David Wertheim '79
Ingrid Williams '92 '96 MA
Patricia Kinney Williams '63
Laura Woodson '73 MA

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Kathryn Gussis Achaves '71
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James Africano '66 '70 MA
Pauline Jablonski Ajamian '50 MA
Gladys Akillian '54 '58 MA
Gloria Albano '88
Adele Press Albert '47
Robert Albin '75
Christina Krivak Alfonso '95
George Alicknavitch '58
Ajibola Alli '02
Gary Altman '78
Frank '76 and Nancy Myers Alvarez '76 '02 MA
Diane Andrews '79
James Andrews '58
Maryann Kudrewicz Anthony '70
Charles Archdeacon '71
Kwaku Armah '71 '72 MA
James Asbell '54
Myron Ascher '80
Robert '54 '60 MA and Particia O'Connor Babb '55 '58 MA
Philip '72 and Christine Stilwell Baccarella '73
Robert Bakos '73
Elizabeth Baltrukovicz '85 '92 MA
Charlotte Luna Banks '72 '77 MA
Sharon Stahl Barash '62 '64 MA
Anthony Barbary '69 '74 MA
Ruth Barber '79 MA
David Barclay '01
Michael Barker '79
Geraldine Barlow '72 MA
Stanley '71 and Tina Baron '71
Timothy '63 '69 MA and Mary Porter Barr '63
Marry Bell Barrett '34
Thomas Barrett '75
Iris Nazario Barriera '69 '73 MA
Harriet Lacz Barwick '55 '58 MA
William Bauman '61 '67 MA
Catherine Kerns Becker '63, '66 MA, '87 MA
Helane Becker Becker '79
Muriel Rogow Becker '64 MA
Holly Slocum Beekman '69
Joseph Bell '69
John '50 '53 MA and June Boswell Bell '50
Dora Gordon Bellat '36
Christine Belli '71 '74 MA
Jerry '90 MA and Nadine Mariconda Bello '90 MA
Charlotte Richard Belsky '39
Linda Reichenfeld Bennett '62
Margaret Thomas Bennett '48 '62 MA
Harry '70 and Gail Verderamo Benson '65
William Bernstein '74
Charles Berry '99 MA
Paul Bershefski '98
Rosa Sanchez Biacone '96 '99 MA
John Binko '81
Mark Bippes '81 MA and Lise Greene '74 '81 MA
Laurence Blackburn '79 and Mary Ann Defiore-Blackburn '82
Robert Blackwell '78
Andrea Blake-Garrett '94 '97 MA '01 MA
Leonard Blessing '50 '51 MA
Ingrid Unczowsky Blood '74
Margaret Bloodgood '77
Joan Bader Bockelmann '37 '41 MA
Carolee Palmiotto Boger '72
Norman Bohn '70 MA
Marion Alexander Bolden '82 MA
Vera Saltzman Boles '33
Mary Bouchoux '70
Angelo Bovino '60 67' MA
Granville Brady '67, '68 MA
Donald Bragaw '50
Roberta Brashear '78 '80 MA
Kara Baldwin Brennan '92
June Brickman '49
Suzanne Bridenburg '63
Donna Brooks '91
Richard Brooks '81 '85 MA
Lynnferd Brown '79
Robert '51 '54 MA and Patricia Carroll Buckley '50
Raymond Bueno '89
Paul Buhtanic '60 '63 MA
Donald Bunger '53 '54 MA
Marjorie Bunnell '43 '47 MA
Julie Buras-Zigo '82
Stephanie Burke '03
Ellen Simpson Burns '76
Audrey Montgomery Burr '33
Thomas Burr '59
David '79 and Jacalyn Morales Bycheck '78
Peter Byer '77
Geoffrey Cahill '86
Ronald Califre '72
Judith Coffin Cambria '56
John Camp '63 '67 MA
Louis Campanelli '60 '66 MA
Lawrence Campbell '48 '49 MA
Jean Carey Candee '53
Steven Caniano '83
Nancy Cant '58 '61 MA
Carla Capizzi '74
Carol Caracappa '85
William '66 '70 MA and Elsa Jensen Carbone '66
Renzo Carcich '86
Angel Cardona '98
Joseph Cariello '82 MA
Christine Carlin '98
Dennis Carroll '63 '71 MA
Robert '59 and Elizabeth Vill Carroll '60 '86 MA
L. Philip Carstens '40
Kenneth '76 and Annette Rossetti Cartaxo '76
Anthony Caruso '47 '52 MA
Joe Caruso '87
Dennis '75 and Anne Deering Casale '75
Bruce P. '76 MA and Diane R. Casey '85 MA
Robert Cassels '93 MA
Elisebet Hildisch Cassler '68
Ernest Cerino '81
Carol Scimeca Chasse '77
Ketan Chauhan '98
Robert Chesney '90
William Chilcott '81
John '43 and Doris Chiocca '79
John Chirico '94
Walter Chomko '73 '78 MA
Kathy Kypridakes Chrisopoulos '70
Michael Christadore '78
Brian Cige '81
Steven Cimiluca '80
Kevin Cinquemani '96
Patricia Webster Clapp '61 '72 MA
Joan Alexander Clark '50
John Clark '92
Curt Clauss '75 '76 MA
Antoinette Clay '80
Robert '53 '57 MA and Marilyn Jacoby Cleary '53 '59 MA
Brian '66 '70 MA and Debora Solomon Clifford '66 '70 MA
Diane Binder Coffman '72
Colette Murphy Cole '75
Peter Cole '63
Aiden Colie '85 '92 MA
Gregory Collins '79
Leroy Collins '72
Ruth Arbuckel Combs '52
Ann Conrey Commisa '73
Irma De Venezia Conforti '43
Olga Papademas Constandelis '76
Florence Kelly Conway '50
Janet Cooke '82 MA
John Cooke '52
Kevin Cooney '75
Rita Beirne Cornyn '52
Salvatore Corrao '68
Elsie Coughlin Coss '57
James '66 '68 MA and Nancy Dierk Cottingham '67
Patricia Rowland Courtney '58
Thelma Anderson Courtney '44 '50 MA
Patricia Coveney '74
Denise Cram '74
Grace Crane '73 MA
James Crawford '61
John Crowell '85
Karl Custer '55 '60 MA
Allan Czaya '69
Debra Stabulis Czerwienski '76
Joan Velardo D'Alessandro '54
Norma Thompson Dade '33
Denise Hyland Dangremond '78 MA
Jane Kavenagh Darling '80
Laurie E. Davidson '99
Thomas De Lorenzo '74
Frances De Luke '58
Lynn Dadika Dean '81
Michael '91 and Deborah Rudolph DeAngelis '91
Michael Defeo '75 '81 MA
Craig Degnaro '74
Charles Deitz '01
Jessica Delgado-Anton '01
Victor '53 and Joyce Roland Demarest '53
John Dembeck '76
Jeanne Le Beau Demontreux '40
William Denbleyker '81
Richard Dennis '64 MA
John Devine '92
Michael Devine '93
Karen Swanseen Di Francesca '66
Martin Dickerson '97 MA
Susan Jakuboski Dillard '72
Dina Depetro Dillenkofer '49
Sharon Couch DiLonardo '78
Jerry Dimartino '95
Douglas '80 and Sandra Cannella Dimattia '88
Sharon Skrypak DiTosto '77
Paul Dittrich '49 '51 MA
Peter Dolese '75
Robert Dondona '85
Mary Lou Langan Donoghue '55
Frank Donohue '87 MA
Jean Ellenberger Dougherty '44
Loretta Douglas '70 '85 MA
Jo Ann Dow Dow-Breslin '77
Daniel '71 and Patricia Drozdowski '80
Dorothea Duffy '75
Marion Higgins Dugan '40
Mary Ryaby Duke '62
Helen Earles '01 MA
Winifried Schiefer Eberle '38
Helen Ebert '78
John Edack '51 '52 MA
Constance Catania Elliott '63
Geraldine Smith Emsley '43
Donald Englander '50
Barbara Fischer Erickson '70
Ruth Exel '65
Jacqueline Falcone '84
William Fanaras '65
Angela Farrell '53 MA
Gerald Fasanella '85
Andrew Fede '78
James Feeney '01 MBA
William '74 and Donna Agnoli Fellenberg '71

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Harold V. '78 '79 MA and Barbara Abbott Ferguson '76
Milford Christopher Ferguson '02
Stephen Ferguson '83
June Fernicola '78
Evelyn Danik Ferrara '51
Jacques Feys '75
John '77 and Jane Korn Fietkiewicz '78
Luann Villano Fine '81
Judson '53 '58 MA and Mary Louise Potter Fink '54 '57 MA
Cynthia Lefton Fisher '75
Carol Fitzmaurice '81
J. Thomas '40 '42 MA* and E. Alma Williams Flagg '43 MA
Jane Savage Flanagan '45
Mary Flanagan '35
Anthony Floreno '93
Edith Bradley Floyd '37
Rosalie Brancato Foschini '55
Ruth Fost '74 MA
Catherine Guarnieri Frank-White '62 MED
Gerardo Freda '92
James Freda '53
Andrew Freeman '84
Alan Frenkl '95
Zelda Cohen Friedman '36*
Joanne Martinowich Fritz '73
Philip R. Frowery '70 MA
Michael Gabriele '75
William '62 '66 MA and Patricia McCurry Gabrielson '64
Harriett Gaddy '80 '85 MA
Joan Gallagher Gaeng '49 '54 MA
Paul Galenkamp '87
Paul '65 '68 MA and Maria Piacente Galeota '64 '68 MA
Mary Barkman Gallion '62
Matthew Gallo '52
Louis Garbaccio '77
James '50 '51 MA and Jeanette Besher Gardner '52
Melinda Gardner '63 '70 MA
Dorothy Graf Gargan '64 '70 MA
Michael '61 and Jean Furnari Garzillo '59
David '75 and Susan DeMatteo Gavin '76
Irwin '49 '51 MA* and Dorothy Gawley Edward Gedney '87
William Gee '54
Stephen Geisel '78
Ronald Gelok '80
Oliver Gelston '53 '58 MA
Michael Genaro '50
Adam George '87
Nancy Benson Georgette '81 '98 MA
John Gerity '79
Dale Douglass Gianforte '58
Eugene '68 and Suzette Prudhon Gibba '68
Harford Gibbs '58
Gregory Gierwielaniec '88
Elaine Lanchenauer Gill '43 '49 MA
Mary Cutillo Gillespie '48
Wendy Gillespie '73
Diane Ryales Gipson '80
Marjorie Morgenstern Glassman '48
Loyola Nichols Gleason '48
John '74 and Marita Greifenkranz Glowacki '76
Guglielmo Goffi '77 MA
Stephen '52 and Rosemary Loustalot Goin '52 '71 MA
Nancy Yelenik Goldberg '69
Michael Goldstein '60 '72 MA
Ruth Goldstein '69 '70
Mary Ann Kitchell Golomb '82
Miriam Sadowitz Gomberg '80 MA
Linda Gonzalez '98 '00 MA
Christopher Goodwin '01
Kenneth Gorski '77
Vincent '59 '61 MA and Margaret Della Sala Gorski '59
Robert '53 '60 MA and Jacqueline Robinson Gorton '53
Elaine Gottschall '73
Robert Grace '69
Judy Graef '66 '69 MA
Lorraine Majeski Graham '68
Sheryl Sarno Granet '95
Donna Green '72
Linda Greenberg '78 MA
Brian Greene '96
Clifford '49 and Barbara Wellington Greenwald '49
S. Andrea Koedam Greetham '53 '57 MA
Janet Gregorovic '76
Carol Suscreba Greiner '71
Jeff '82 and Robyn Arpiarian Greulich '82
Raymond Grill '88
Beth Gross '78
Dianne Shoemaker Gross '77
David Grossman '76
John Guarino '80
Nancy Guild '50 '55 MA
Elif Gundordu '00 MA
Dena Guttman '68 MA
Paul Guyre '72
Irena Price Hackett '52 '59 MA
Joan Bischof Haenny '86
Carol Hahn '80
Richard Hall '71
Elizabeth Betz Hamel '76 '90 MA
Judith Vaughan Hardin '70
Carole Merkel Harnett '98
James Harris '68 '70 MA
William Harrison '49
David Hart '50 '57 MA
May Hart '34
Adolph Haug '68 MA
Tarolf Haug '98
Virginia Brandt Hawkins '95 MA
John Hawrylo '72
R. Penniston Hayes '71
Genevieve Pettersen Hazekamp '40 '61 MA
Naedine Hazell '82
Doris Johnson Heise '69 '79 MA
Lorraine Carroll Hennessey '84
Henry Heykoop '73
William Hicks '76
Janet Thoma Higgins '82
Spencer Hildebrand '90
Mark Hillringhouse '96 MA
Robert '39 '47 MA and Bertha Pfitzner Hilton '42
Maria Hinrichsen '99
Ellen Stein Hirschhorn '45
Isidor Hirschhorn '36
John Hoey '98 MA
MaryAnn Swenson Holden '51
Carol Holmelund '81
Georgiann Dermody Hook '65
Dorothea Hooper '54 '58 MA
Helen Coyle Hooper '44
Edith Hopp '78
Suzanne Horton
Fay Zipkin Hortz '46
Joseph Howden '37
Mary Hudson '63 '68 MA
Lawrence Hulighan '73
Donald Hummel '73 MA
Judith Hunt
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Henrietta Goerler Hurst '38
Nicola Iannitelli '99
Carolyn Korn Irwin '37 '67 MA
Charles Jackson '96 and Ericka Bradley-Jackson '94
Stanley '70 '76 MA and Mary Thorne Jakubik '70
Jennie Potas Janulin '32
Ann Ward Jenkins '56
Margaret Huck Jenkins '76
Fay Jensen Jensen-Yeager '44
Brenda Jezierski '73 '88 MA
Nels Johnson '40
Eileen Koch Johnston '66 '70 MA
Donald '58 '60MA and Lorraine Bartkowicz Jones '58
Thomas Jones '73
Wilbert Jones '75 MA
William '92 MA and Judith Linberg Joyce '67 '72 MA
Judith Toffel Julius '63
Syrtiller McCollum Kabat '60
John Kaelin '50 '55 MA
Mark Kaelin '67 '74 MA
Dorothy Klauser Kalnins '61 '68 MA
Marie Kane '67 '73 MA
Richard Kaplan '78
Glenn '93 MA and Audrey Rosenberg Kaplinsky '83
Helen Karagiannis '97
Howard '42 and Muriel Goldberg Katz '42 '67 MA
Joan Bartyzel Kaynak '63
Dennis Kearney '02
James Kearney '74
John Keating '73 and Judith Bennett-Keating '80
Lucille Fagan Kehoe '48 '52 MA
Diane Gilmore Keiller '65
Lois Madden Kelly '56
Maureen Kelly '61
Diane Kennedy '74 MA
Gerard Kennedy '64 '66 MA
Barry Kenstler '81
Marguerithe Chadwick Kerr '49 '53 MA
Hermine Kessler '99 MA
Philip Kiernan '95
Deborah Horn Killoran '79
Carol Watt King '78
Michael King '83
Kenneth Kinney '81
Laura Summers Kinney '36
John Kirby '86
John '67 '70 MA and Linda Kirchberger '77
Rosemary Kirk '90
Patricia Kirner '48
Robert '63 '67 MA and Frances Stern Kirschner '64
Audrey Peppinghaus Klein '47 '50 MA
Melissa Kleiwerda '97
Francis Klemensky '74
Christina Ruprecht Knapik '98
Donald Konesny '75 MA
Stanley '54 '66 MA and Barbara Stevens Kopacki '59 '74 MA
Roger Korey '79
Robert Korzik '75
John Koumoulides '60 '61 MA
Jerome '60 '64 MA and Ruth Pannickle Kracht '59
Doris Bird Kraut '42
Joan Sprich Krautheim '60
Christine Pruzinsky Krenitsky '67 '81 MA
Frances Villani Kroeckel '62 '66 MA
Harry Kuhn III, '69, '73 MA
David Kulesz '83
Teresa Kulik '80 '90 MA
Arthur Kull '49
Thomas Kunz '90
Theodore Kury '59
Thelma Shauger Kutner '41
Catherine Kwan '68
John Labianca '90
Elizabeth LaBlanc '79 MA
Barbara Laborim '83
Robert Lachenauer '51 '56 MA
Jacqueline Choffo Laczny '74
Charles '66 '69 MA and Karen Kayser Lagos '66
Vivian LaLumia '86
Angelique Lampros '58
Daryl Ebeling Lancaster '77
Peter '89 and Stephanie Dreher Langbein '89
Richard Langheim '68 '75 MA
George Laniado '52
Richard Lansmann '78
Diana Karpovich Lapham '60
Craig Largmann '98
Terrence '63 and Margaret McLaughlin Larney '63 '72 MA
Samuel Lasala '00 MS
Arnold Lau '48
Renee Mae Roskos Le Riche '51 '73 MA
Alice Walker Leath '84
Dorothy Schroeder Lehmkuhl '42 '46 MA
Joseph Leicht '74 '94 MA
Mary Lenehan '55 '57 MA
Thomas '73 and Caroline Olsen Lennek '73
Robert Lester '69
Joyce Carp Levine '46
Norma Bech Levine '52, '72 MA
Wilbur Lewis '76
Patricia Libak '90
Kenneth Licker '65
Peter '76 and Victoria Sbrocco Lieberman '76
Joan Mansfield Likness '54
Georgeanne Jollie Limbach '72 '84 MA
Craig Little '75
William '43 and Ann Cunningham Lobell '43 *
Jacob '61 '65 MA and Arlene Westerhoff Locicero '61
Diane Lockward '80 MA
Sydney Lockwood '61 '65MA
Thomas Loikith '75
Eileen Kelly Longden '43
Joseph Lorenzo '76
Leonard Lowy '54
Dorothy Miller Lozauskas '69 '72 MA
Deborah Lozito '82
Ethel Stern Lubin '43
Beverly Lubnewski '78
Mary Ann Lucania '69 MA
Ernestine Zampetti Luise '63
George '42 and Dorothy Wright Lunn '43
Martha Lybarger '86
Kevin Lynch '73
Jacoba Wiedmann Maas '66
Leslee Blessing Mabee '76
Russell Macaluso '59
Mary Lou Macgregor '83
Nancy Maciag '76 '81 MA
Kevin Mackey '79
Josephine Maffettone '54
Francis Maggio '88
Elizabeth Maguire '55 '58 MA
Charles '64 '66 MA and Barbara Tyll Mainenti '64 '67 MA
Rose Fitzgerald Maire '68, '78 MA
Ronald Makara '61 '63 MA
Evan Maletsky '53 '54 MA
Alvin Mallette '01
Kenneth Malmud '76
Mark Maloney '81
Martin Maltenfort '43 '48 MA
Dennis '58 '65 MA and Barbara Bainbridge Mamchur '71 MA
Ellen Manasse '94
Evelyn Buck Mangels '55
Ruth Bryan Manger '45
John Mangieri '73
Kim Marchese '74 '82 MA
Kathleen Marchetti '77
Brian Marcy
Eloise Pringle Margus '43
Robin Griffiths Marko '75
Patricia Lynch Marlowe '71
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more pride in telling about her husband Felix, chair emeritus at Chase Home Finance and an icon of the Mortgage Bankers Association, and three sons: Jeffrey, who gave up practicing law after 20 years to become a social worker because he wanted to help others; Bruce, a sportscaster on NBC-TV; and Steven, a Wall Street executive.

After retiring from the town council Beck put the business skills she gained at Montclair State to good use as a member of the New York Stock Exchange arbitration board. But she'll tell you that it was her experience in dance and as a majorette in college that gave her courage in the business world.

"Modern dance was such an important part of my life at Montclair State," she said. "It gives you a confidence about yourself. When you're on, nothing can get in your way."

Beck began her studies at Montclair State when it was a teachers college. "I had no interest in teaching so I transferred to the Fashion Institute of Technology in New York after freshman year," she explained. "I returned to campus on a glorious sunny day in 1947 to watch my older sister Adele [Press] graduate in the amphitheater. I was thrilled and wanted to graduate in the amphitheater, too, so I begged the dean to take me back."

Beck returned to Montclair State and earned a degree in business education. But it rained, so the ceremony was moved indoors.

Although she never got her day in the sun, Beck is convinced she made the right choice by going back to Montclair State. (MSU became a family affair when her sister Ann [Kirschner], who graduated from Newark State, now Kean, earned a master's degree in fine arts-studio from Montclair State in 1970.)

More than half a century after Beck left Montclair State, the amphitheater lured her back to campus when she spotted herself in a photo in *Alumni Life*. The photo, taken in the 1940s, accompanied a story about the amphitheater restoration project that is still underway. A mutual friend of Beck and Montclair State President Susan A. Cole arranged for the two to meet.

"I'm a real feminist—internally—so I wanted to meet Dr. Cole," said Beck. "During my visit I discovered that I still get a beautiful feeling in the amphitheater. I got a great education at Montclair State.

"The University provided me with a financial background that has been invaluable and indispensable. And the diversity on campus provided an early experience in interaction with people. For this and more, I shall always be grateful."

A trip down memory Lane...Leonard Morris '41 (right), and Mario Farina '49 got back into student mode in Gioia Kay's urban anthropology class as part of "Come Back to College Day." Alumni from the Class of 1954 as well as those from classes in the 1940s returned to their alma mater for the event, which marked the beginning of the 50th reunion celebration for the class of 1954.

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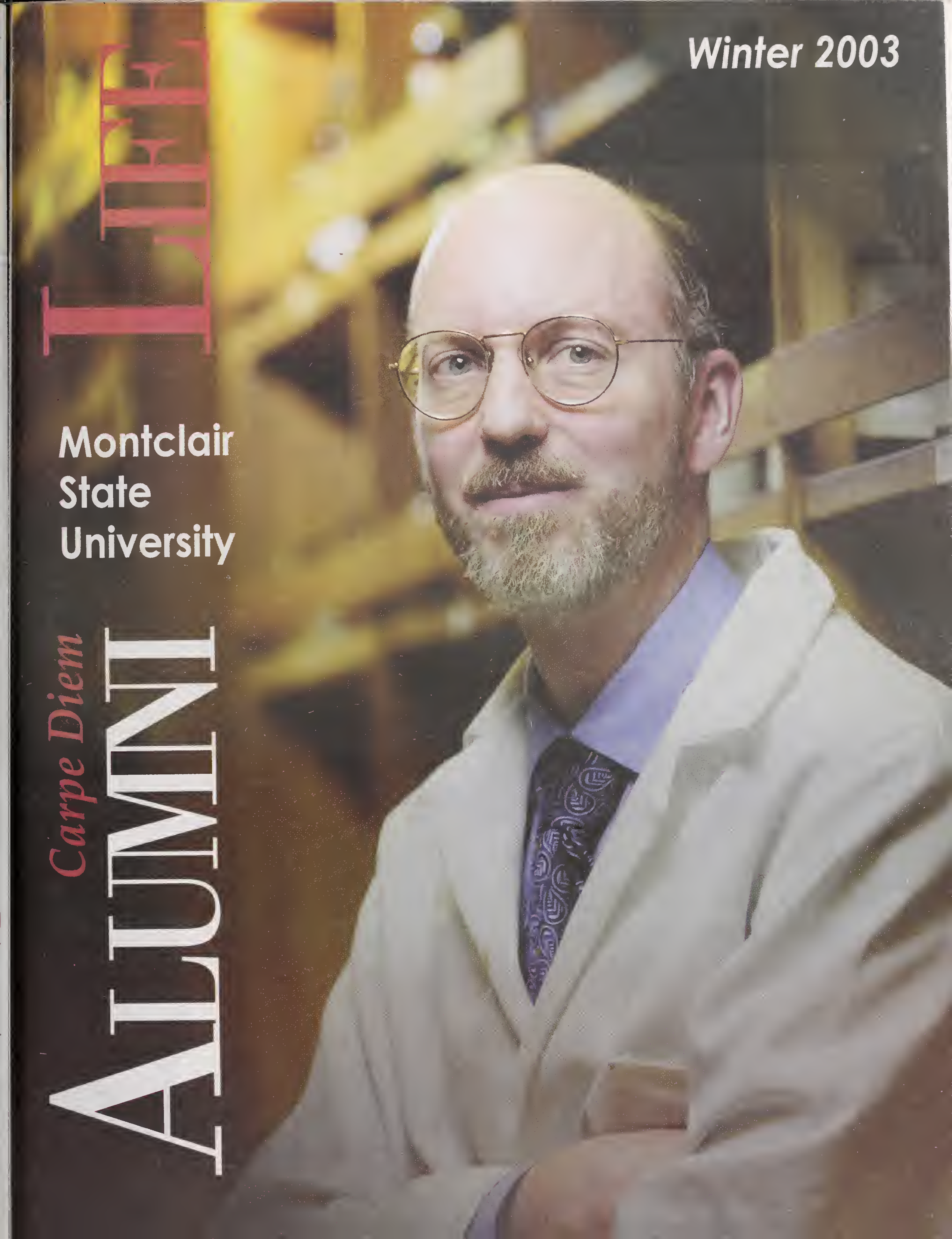

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The Inside TRACK

Susan A. Cole
President
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As it approaches its centennial, Montclair State University can take pride in its rich history of bold educational innovation, inspired teaching and vital service to the state. But this history is only the beginning, and Montclair State is unwavering in its resolution to continue to build on its history and to be a great university for a great state.

Because the University community understands that the actions it takes have far-reaching implications for the people of New Jersey and for the economic and cultural future of the state, the University undertook an extensive strategic planning process, looking ahead to meet the future needs of the state. The resulting document, "Montclair State University at the Centennial 1908-2008," will chart the path of our future development. The plan sets forth nine key goals.

Teaching: **MSU will be a recognized center for excellence in teaching and learning.** MSU will provide students with the means and desire to lead productive and rewarding lives as critical and engaged members of society. The University will ensure academic rigor in its programs and a commitment to the liberal arts and sciences.

Research: **MSU will be a source of new knowledge and the application of knowledge.** The University recognizes that the generation of new knowledge and understanding through scholarship, research and artistic activities is critical to the quality of our educational programs and makes important contributions to society.

Technology: **MSU will embrace the pervasive and transforming use of technology.** The University will take full advantage of the ability of technology to transform the learning process.

Accessibility: **MSU will provide opportunities within a richly diverse setting.** Montclair State is responsible for addressing at least a portion of New Jersey's significant shortfall in higher education capacity, as well as for providing the type of programs and facilities that will encourage an increasing proportion of state residents to remain in New Jersey for their university experience.

Growth: **MSU will provide the resources to accommodate the planned expansion.** The University will increase the size of the faculty and library resources, will expand and improve its physical facilities, and will increase its financial support from governmental, corporate, private and alumni sources. As part of this effort, the University is in the early planning stages of a major centennial capital campaign.

Globalization: **MSU will become a center for global study and understanding.** The accelerating pressures of globalization underscore the need for students to gain a fuller understanding of the world from historical, socioeconomic, political and cultural perspectives, and to gain additional facility in communicating in languages other than English.

Achievement: **MSU will foster a vibrant sense of community in which each student will be challenged to attain his or her full potential.** The University will provide opportunities for students to develop leadership skills, social responsibility, independence and interdependence, and a sense of values that will be as important as the knowledge and skills learned in the classroom in helping them craft meaningful and satisfying lives.

Service: **MSU will serve as a resource for the local and regional community.** Our well-received community programs and intellectual and cultural activities will be expanded, and the University will become an even more valuable resource to the region.

Accountability: **MSU will adopt a plan to measure its progress in meeting key goals.** The University exists within a national context of strong models of public universities, and we will consider best practices in these universities and adopt appropriate measures to assess our progress in meeting our goals.

These are ambitious goals, but I am confident Montclair State can and will achieve them. I look forward to your support and assistance as we continue to assure a great institution for the thousands of deserving students who will enter its doors with all their hopes and ambitions.

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Greetings from the Alumni House. As we enter a new year, I am amazed at how quickly our alma mater is changing. A new parking deck is complete, the University is breaking ground for a new theater, and there are grand plans for new buildings and academic growth. All these changes are moving at breakneck speed as we approach our century mark.

What does all this mean to our alumni? We are entering a new era of service opportunities to the Montclair State family, and the Alumni Association will provide new services to thank you for all your dedication. Our university will serve alumni with expanded opportunities designed to celebrate learning. We all will have the opportunity to serve our fellow alumni and the University through our generosity. Everyone in the MSU family will have expanded opportunities to help each other. In fact, providing that help already has begun.

First, our Association has begun several exciting new initiatives to serve fellow and future alumni. This winter we will offer the opportunity for active alumni to apply for long-term care insurance at substantial savings. Stay tuned for details. My thanks to Jim Spry '54 for all his hard work in researching this program. Next, our Association will create an Online Career Services Web site in conjunction with the Office of Career Development. This site will be a service to our alumni and to those companies that might be looking for talented Montclair State graduates to fill critical positions. My thanks to Phil Kiernan '95 for pursuing this much-needed service.

After receiving suggestions from several alumni, we are preparing to work with a graduate student to redesign and update our Web site. This is an improvement that will allow you to find information about events, opportunities and services faster and easier. My thanks to our Alumni Relations staff for taking charge here.

Finally, we have improved scholarship opportunities. Thanks to the efforts of our Scholarship Committee, led by Alumni Association Vice President Frank Alvarez '76, next year's scholarship winners will have more flexibility in utilizing their awards to make their educations more affordable.

In addition to serving alumni through programs and scholarships, we are assisting in Montclair State's brick and mortar needs. We are working diligently to achieve our goal of raising $500,000 to restore the amphitheater.

My sincerest thanks to those of you who have already contributed to help us meet our service and fund-raising goals.

Our university, under President Susan A. Cole's leadership, not only is offering exciting brick and mortar changes, but through the generosity of Mrs. Margaret McCormack Sokol '38 our community has been provided with the opportunity to listen to exciting lectures from prominent speakers. (See story on page 6.)

As you can see, there are numerous ways our university family is providing service to each of us. Be a part of these exciting changes. Contact or, better yet, stop by the Alumni House to see how you can get involved.

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
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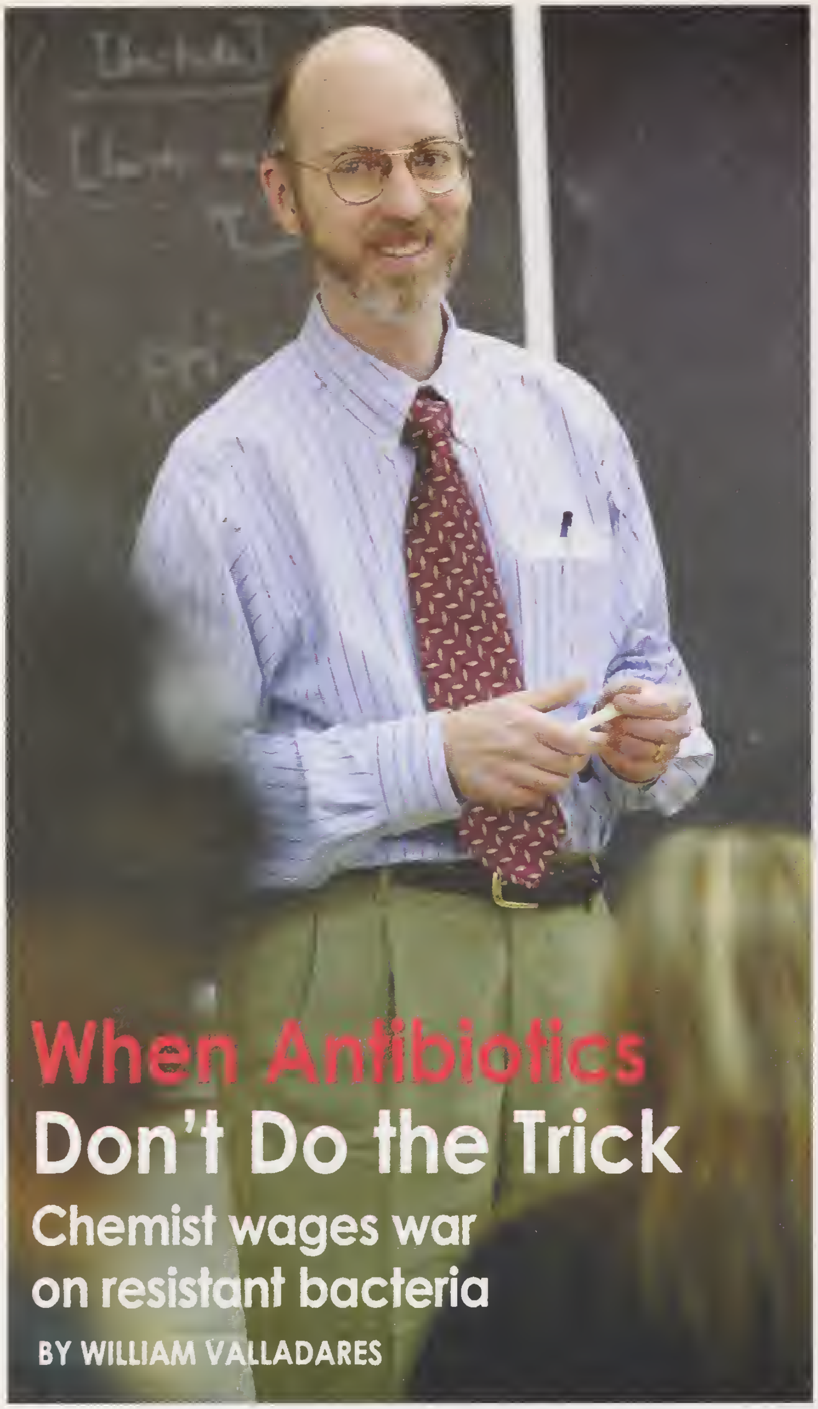

When Antibiotics Don't Do the Trick

Chemist wages war on resistant bacteria

BY WILLIAM VALLADARES

Physicians have come to depend on antibiotics to treat illnesses brought on by bacteria that for centuries were a major cause of disease and death. But the effectiveness of several antibiotics has begun to decline at an alarming rate.

Dr. Jeffrey Toney, holder of Montclair State University's Margaret and Herman Sokol chair in Chemistry and Biochemistry, recognizes that protecting public health relies heavily on the use of antibiotics, so he's waging a war against resistant strains of bacteria by conducting research he hopes will result in inhibitors that target antibiotic resistance.

"The main motivation behind my research," said Toney, "is that classic antibiotics we and our children have used, like penicillin, amoxicillin and augmentin, are becoming less effective. The response to penicillin, which was 100-percent effective in the 1950s, is now down to 20 percent and getting lower."

According to Toney, bacteria divide in two by making a new cell wall, doubling their cell line and genomic information. Penicillin blocks that wall-building system, but bacteria can mutate key genes that break down the medicines before they can work.

"That phenomenon, coupled with people who are allergic to certain types of antibiotics, points to a strong need for industry to come up with alternatives that will work against these microbes that have become resistant," he said. "They can outlive all sorts of mechanisms that scientists never could have predicted back when Alexander Fleming discovered penicillin in 1929."

Over-prescribing, he said, is the main cause for resistance, and physicians need to be more judicious in prescribing antibiotics. The scientific community keeps reminding physicians and clinics that they should be careful in administering antibiotics, especially the most potent ones. The most common mistake is prescribing an antibiotic for people who have a virus with the symptoms typical of an infection, because the antibiotic is useless against a virus. "It actually can make patients even sicker because not only are physicians not treating them for what they have, but those physicians are actually setting up those patients to be resistant to antibiotics the next time they get a bacterial infection," he said.

Before his appointment as the Sokol professor, Toney led research in the utilization of biochemistry and chemical biology for a variety of therapeutic targets, including steroid hormone receptors and antibiotic resistance at Merck Research Laboratories. He holds five patents on his work with protein recognition.

"At Merck we worked on ways to counter those resistance mechanisms using a new generation of penicillin. That went out of favor a few years ago in industry and I sense that interest in it is coming back," he said.

Toney explained that industry stepped away from this research because all programs in pharmaceuticals are evaluated from both clinical and marketing viewpoints. When this research project was getting ready to go into a more broad-scale application, it was decided that the clinical and marketing needs weren't high enough to warrant the huge investment required for clinical trials. "It costs anywhere from $100-$200 million to take one small molecule through all the steps to get approval from the Food and Drug Administration," said Toney. "So before you take that leap, you want to be sure that in the end you'll have something that has a strong clinical need and will have a good market."

It was intellectual freedom that prompted Toney to leave his position as senior research fellow at Merck Research Laboratories to become the University's second Sokol professor. "I look forward to driving my own research program without the limitations put upon researchers in industry," said Toney, who is equally excited about the teaching aspect of his position. "I've always had strong academic interests and the desire to work with students. At Merck I hosted several summer interns from universities, and working one-on-one with those students was so much fun. During that time I imagined that it would be nice to do that full time rather than just on the side."

It seems fitting that Toney is engaged in research involving antibiotics. The chair, funded by a $1.25-million gift from alumna Margaret McCormack Sokol '38, is in memory of her husband Herman '37, who was instrumental in discovering the antibiotic tetracycline and the process for its manufacture. A research chemist, teacher and industrialist, Dr. Sokol was president of Bristol-Meyers Company from 1976 until he retired in 1981.

To assist Toney, the University is renovating an existing 400-square-foot lab in Richardson Hall. Grant money from Margaret Sokol will help equip and maintain that lab and allow Toney to hire a full-time research associate.

Montclair State Recognized for Work in Internationalization

Montclair State University's work to internationalize the campus has been recognized as exemplary by NAFSA: Association of International Educators.

The designation is the result of a competition held this summer by NAFSA to identify best practices in campus internationalization. Sponsored by the U.S. Department of State and Educational Testing Service, the competition attracted more than 120 applications. Sixteen colleges and universities were lauded for their work.

"Montclair State has a strong commitment to global education and has made a concerted effort not only to internationalize our curriculum, but to expand our partnership and exchange agreements with leading higher education institutions around the world, from East China Normal University in Shanghai to Kirovograd State Pedagogical University in Ukraine," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "We are honored our efforts to achieve a truly global perspective have been recognized by NAFSA."

As a selected institution, the University will be highlighted in NAFSA's *Internationalizing the Campus Report 2003* to be released in the spring.

The other chosen institutions are Duke University, Kalamazoo College, Kapi'olani Community College/University of Hawaii, Middlebury College, Randolph Macon Women's College, St. Olaf College, Tufts University, University of Pittsburgh, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, Community College of Philadelphia, Dickinson College, Eastern Mennonite University, Indiana University, San Diego State University and Yale University. "We are among some of best private schools in the United States known for their internationalization," said Marina Cunningham, director of the University's Global Education Center.

Among Montclair State's initiatives toward internationalization are faculty and student exchanges, the Global Education Center's grant program and the University's commitment to providing resources and support for global endeavors.

The University awards nearly $100,000 a year in international grants. Last year, more than 50 faculty members took part in scholarly activities in 20 countries. In addition, the University's student population includes about 900 international students representing 99 countries, as well as many distinguished scholars from abroad who come to campus to learn and teach. And the Summer Study Abroad Program gives Montclair State students the opportunity to study in Italy, France, England and, for the first time this summer, in Shanghai.

"What stands out with Montclair State is that we don't simply have one-time experiences," Cunningham explained. "We have continuity in the sense that we foster lasting relationships that result in other activities and programs."

Montclair State also has the support of President Cole in its commitment to globalization. "The speech she gave last year at the Democracy and Education conference in Kiev is on the U.S. Embassy's Web site," she said, "and her speech is being used in the materials for this year's conference on democracy, values and education."

Cunningham recently returned from Ukraine where she had the opportunity to see the result of a $300,000 grant to help democratize education at Kiev State Pedagogical University. The three-year grant enabled professors from Ukraine to come here to train and allowed Montclair State professors to conduct workshops for faculty at Kiev.

"They are now teaching philosophy for children and critical thinking, and are creating a Center for Innovative Pedagogy," she explained. "It's truly amazing."

—Diana St. Lifer

Montclair State reaches Thailand and China

Each year Montclair State University sponsors several international conferences, both on campus and abroad.

In November, the Society of Research on African Cultures (SORAC) at Montclair State collaborated with the University's Institute for the Humanities to sponsor its 2002 international conference, "Internalist vs. Externalist Interpretations of African History and Culture." The three-day event took place on campus and attracted scholars from around the world.

In January, the seventh annual International Conference on Global Business and Economic Development took place in Bangkok, Thailand. "Strategies for Sustainable Globalization: Business Responses to Regional Demands and Global Opportunities" was sponsored by the University's Center for International Business in the School of Business and the Asian Institute of Technology's School of Management. The theme was the meaning and importance of globalization in international business when economic security, environmental balance and income distribution are of growing concern. As globalization of international trade and production continue to serve as a model for growth and development, this conference helped deepen the understanding of both trends and policies as new concerns arise. The conference included a sharing of research that takes into account regional strategies for successful globalization, the changing mission and strategies of individual firms and industries, criticisms of global integration, rising environmental concerns and growing demands for addressing the adverse effects of globalization on the distribution of income.

Another conference will take place in Shanghai, China from June 3 to 6. Faculty from Montclair State University are collaborating with colleagues from East China Normal University in sponsoring "Urban Dimensions of Environmental Change: Science, Exposures, Policies and Technologies," an international conference that will examine the science and management of urban environmental change.

The importance of such a gathering becomes obvious when one considers that more than half the world's population will live in cities by 2020.

For more information about the conference, go to www.montclair.edu/globaled/shanghai/announcement.htm.

Awakenings Author Ignites Audience and Sets Tone for Sokol Science Lectures

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

Dressed appropriately in a T-shirt emblazoned with the Periodic Table, Oliver Sacks, world-renowned neurologist, humanist and author of the best-selling book *Awakenings*, delivered the first Margaret and Herman Sokol Science Lecture. A diverse crowd of about 700 people filled Memorial Auditorium to hear his talk, "Journey Into Wonder: Reflections on a Chemical Boyhood," based on his most recent and best-selling book *Uncle Tungsten: Memories of a Chemical Boyhood*. In both the book and the lecture, Sacks recounted his childhood in wartime London, revealing his boyhood love of chemistry as the source of his lifelong scientific curiosity.

Most of the audience was familiar with Sacks from his earlier novel, *Awakenings*, and the film on which it was based. *Awakenings* relates Sacks' 1966 encounter with survivors of the great epidemic of sleeping sickness that killed millions in the 1920s. His administration of a new drug, L-DOPA, saw patients—catatonic and frozen for decades—awaken with an explosive quality. The movie version starred Robin Williams and Robert DeNiro, and was nominated for an Academy Award for Best Picture of the Year in 1991.

At Montclair State, Sacks spoke about his early scientific fascination with light, matter and energy, and the inspiration for his curiosity and his book, his Uncle Dave, affectionately known as "Uncle Tungsten" because he manufactured light bulbs with filaments of fine tungsten wire.

Sacks was born into a large family of doctors, metallurgists, chemists, physicists and teachers. Soon after his sixth birthday, World War II broke out and he was evacuated, as were thousands of other children, from London to escape the bombing. He spent four years at a boarding school where he felt alone and abandoned.

When he returned to London in 1943 at age 10, he found refuge in science. What began as an interest became an obsession.

"I constantly badgered my parents with questions," he writes. "Where did color come from? Why did my mother use the platinum loop that hung above the stove to cause the gas burner to catch fire? What happened to the sugar when one stirred it into the tea? Where did it go? Why did water bubble when it boiled? (I liked to watch water set to boil on the stove, to see it quivering with heat before it burst into bubbles.)"

Sacks related many childhood stories, including one that drew laughter from the audience. He admitted his "failure" as a Cub Scout, recounting how when he was told to make dampers (hard baked discs of unleavened flour), he used cement instead of flour.

Dean Robert Prezant of the College of Science and Mathematics, who described Sacks' book as "a joy to read," said, "It was fun to watch him bring the book to life. The audience clearly enjoyed him."

Prezant deemed the inaugural lecture a success. "We're pleased that the entire campus community and people from the surrounding communities came to hear Dr. Sacks speak," he said. "We think everyone found him interesting, no matter what their discipline, no matter what their background."

He believes future lectures in the Sokol series will elicit the same response. "The purpose of this series is to bring to campus world-renowned individuals who are excellent speakers, have a tremendous background in their discipline and are going to have a broad appeal to other disciplines," he said. "Sacks is well known outside the field of neurobiology and psychology. His background started with 'chemical roots,' which is what he talked about. Sacks was a natural in terms of being our first Sokol lecturer because Herman Sokol was a chemist. It really came together beautifully."

The lecture series, established to help faculty, students and the surrounding communities garner a greater appreciation and expanded knowledge of important issues in the sciences, is funded by a generous gift from alumna Margaret McCormack Sokol '38 in memory of her husband Herman '37, who was instrumental in discovering

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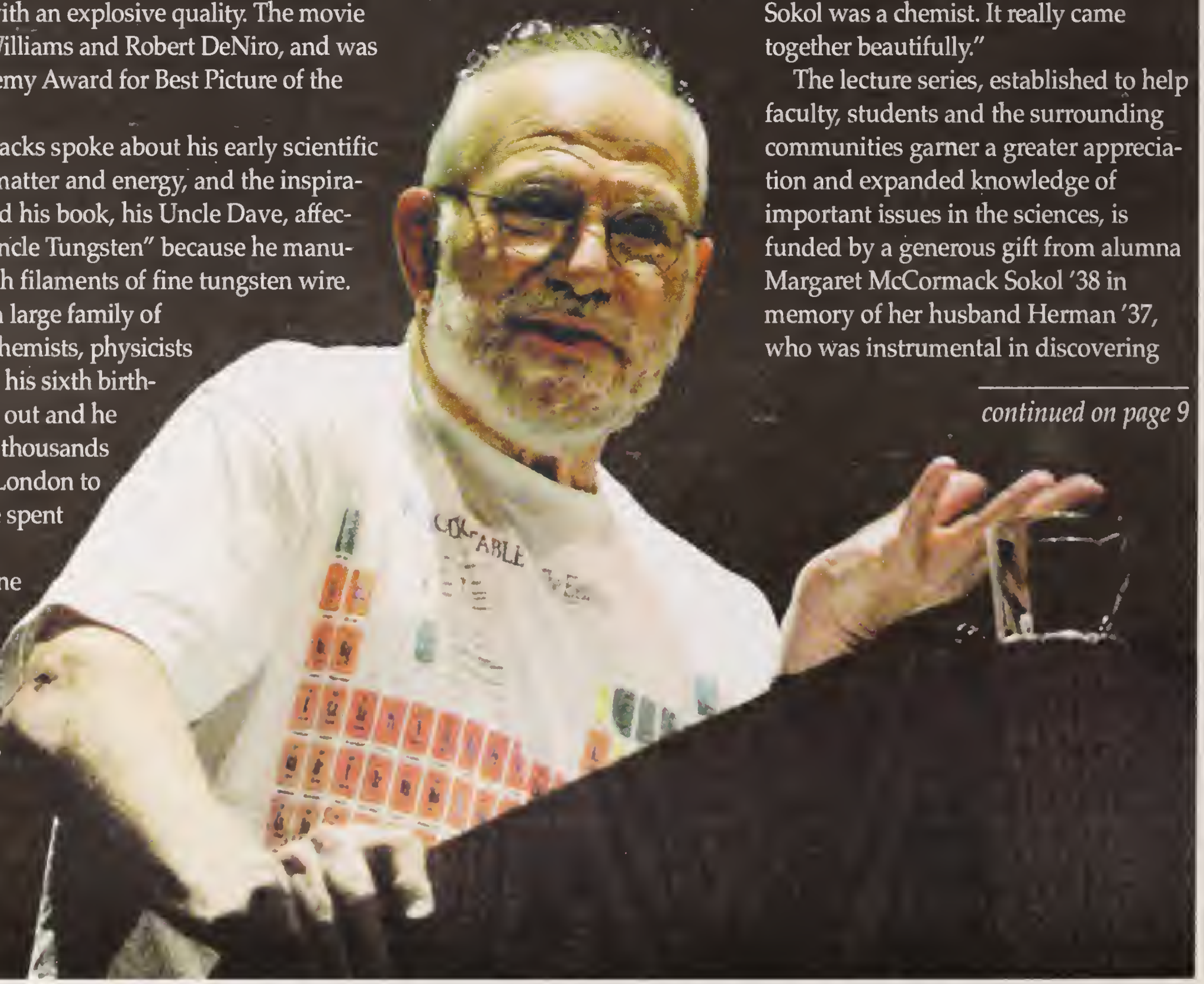

Final Four Women's Basketball Team to be Honored

BY MIKE SCALA '92, DIRECTOR OF SPORTS INFORMATION

In its 74-plus years of athletic competition, Montclair State University has seen many of its athletic teams compete in national tournaments and on five occasions they have brought home national championships. But perhaps the finest team ever to wear Montclair State uniforms is one that never earned a national title. In fact, the team finished third.

The story of the 1977-78 Montclair State women's basketball team is something out of the movie "Hoosiers." They were from a small school, playing in front of small crowds in a small gymnasium. But this extremely talented and determined group, led by one of the greatest pioneers in women's collegiate basketball, Carol Blazejowski, battled all the way to the bright lights of Los Angeles and the hallowed Pauley Pavilion at the University of California-Los Angeles (UCLA) to compete for a national championship.

The Montclair State Women's Basketball Final Four team. Bottom row from left, Pat Colasurdo, Carol Blazejowski, Wanda Szeremeta; middle row from left, Jill Jeffrey, Cathy Meyers, Alice Schmidt, Donela Weber; back row from left, Head Coach Maureen Wendelken, Pat Fixter, Jan Ternyik, Ellen Henry, Pat Quilty, Karen Smith and Assistant Coach Charlie DiPaolo.

On Feb. 5, the Montclair State Athletic Department and women's basketball program will pay tribute to this team in a pre-game ceremony prior to the Red Hawks game against New Jersey City University.

"In some ways it does seem like it was ages ago," says guard Alice (Schmidt) DeFazio '80, a member of that team and now the head women's basketball coach at New Jersey City. "But then again in some ways it feels like it was only yesterday. I guess that's what they mean when they say time flies."

But while time may have flown, the accomplishments of the team still remain as some of the finest in the history of Montclair athletics. The team finished 25-7 establishing a school record for wins, which still stands today. In the days before the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) recognized women's athletics, they competed in the Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (AIAW), the equivalent of Division I today, and made it all the way to the National Championship Tournament or the "Final Four," as it is now more commonly known.

The tournament at Pauley Pavilion was a far cry—and distance—from Panzer Gymnasium. There, they faced host UCLA in the national semifinals, the top women's basketball team in the country at the time led by another superstar, Ann Meyers. Montclair lost that game 85-77, despite a Pauley Pavilion record 41 points from Blazejowski.

Montclair bounced back to defeat Wayland Baptist, 90-88 in the third-place game. A third place finish—impressive considering that, unlike its counterparts in the tournament, Montclair did not boast even one scholarship player. To this day, Montclair State is the only non-scholarship team to reach the women's college basketball Final Four.

The Montclair State women's basketball record book shows the star players from that team: Blazejowski, now vice president and general manager of the Women's National Basketball Association's (WNBA) New York Liberty, was inducted into the Naismith Basketball Hall of Fame in 1994; Pat Colasurdo and Jill Jeffrey, a former Montclair State head coach, are 1,000-point scorers; DeFazio, a defensive stalwart, held the career records for assists and steals. All four have been inducted into the MSU Athletic Hall of Fame along with their coach Maureen Wendelken.

While Feb. 5 promises to be a special evening, it also will be difficult for DeFazio, who must then turn her attention to her own team.

"I'm going to have mixed emotions about the whole evening," said DeFazio, who also spent two seasons as the head coach at Montclair State (1991-93). "I had a positive four years at Montclair State and in retrospect what we accomplished was even more special."

After the ceremony, DeFazio will go back to the New Jersey City bench and try to beat the team and the school she once represented.

"It's a weird feeling every time I come back and coach in the building," she said. "When I was here, we used to sit on what is now the visiting bench, so for me it feels like home. But it only lasts a few minutes and then the game takes over and you forget about everything else."

On Feb. 5, however, it might take a little longer.

Class of 2001 Nominates Students for Leadership Scholarships

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE '75

Pictured from left, Denise Blackbourne, her nominator Kevin Wittekind '01, Jamie Trimble, Jena Rothstein and her nominator Bisrat Mekbeb '01.

It wasn't difficult for members of the class of 2001 to nominate worthy candidates for the new MCJ Leadership Scholarship. In fact, most said the ideal nominee was an obvious choice.

"I knew right away that Laura was the perfect candidate," Anna Marie Ross said of scholarship recipient Laura Chegwidden.

"My sister is a natural-born leader," Stacey Vochecowicz said of her younger sibling Heather. "She was the first person I thought of for the scholarship."

The MCJ scholarship program, in its first year at Montclair State, awarded 10 four-year scholarships—$2,500 a year for four years—and all the recipients were nominated by members of Montclair State's class of 2001. The scholarship program was established by business executive and philanthropist Raymond Chambers, and is funded by the MCJ Foundation. When Chambers received an honorary degree from Montclair State at the 2001 commencement ceremonies, he charged the graduating class with making a difference. "I ask each of you to consider pulling up one child from hopelessness into the same seat you're sitting in," he said.

Twenty-six members of the class took the opportunity to make a difference by nominating worthy high school students for the scholarship. Candidates needed to demonstrate leadership and activity in community organizations or service, and be in the top half of their classes academically, holding a minimum 2.5 grade point average and a combined SAT score of at least 950.

The alumni nominators took all these factors into consideration and thought about their relationships with their high school candidates. Ross, for example, coached Chegwidden when she was a member of the town's seventh- and eighth-grade traveling basketball team, and they've kept in touch ever since.

"There weren't many women coaching at the time," Ross recalled. "I think I was a role model for many of the girls." That mentoring experience came full circle when Chegwidden was in high school and coached a grade-school girls' basketball team. It just happened that Ross' niece was a member of that team.

Chegwidden's leadership abilities were apparent in other ways, as she served as president of the student council at Wallkill Valley Regional High School in Hamburg.

Sports and coaching experiences also helped to bring Candice Brierley to the attention of Keri Arrigo. Brierley was a varsity volleyball player at Fair Lawn High School and Arrigo was a junior varsity coach for the team. Arrigo was impressed by Brierley's ability to counsel other girls on the team. "She is a leader and a caring person," Arrigo said. "She had a unique quality."

Arrigo said she didn't tell Brierley right away that she had submitted her name for the program. "One day Candice came up to me and asked, 'Coach, did you nominate me for something?' She was really excited about it. I'm glad it's worked out for her."

Now in her second year as a coach and teacher in Fair Lawn, Arrigo is enrolled in a distance-learning program to earn a master's degree in teaching from Marygrove College in Detroit.

Vochecowicz, a research and development scientist at Colgate Palmolive in Morristown, said she took pride in the fact that her sister Heather was involved with programs in their church and worked with children at a local day care center.

Describing her sister as a "leader and well-rounded person," Vochecowicz said Heather also was her high school's sports mascot and a member of several clubs and organizations.

All the alumni nominators were eager to provide worthy candidates, realizing the opportunities the scholarship would provide. They saw the program as a chance to have a profound influence on someone's life.

Harriet Gilfedder, president of the Kearny Office Employees Association in the Kearny school system, felt this way when she nominated Karen Siegle, a member of the Kearny girls' varsity soccer team, a member of the National Honor Society and ranked 24th in her class. Siegle's father passed away during her senior year of high school, and she has a twin brother and older sister in college. "The scholarship not only rewarded a deserving student, it helped ease a financial burden for one family," said Gilfedder. "I think Karen is a person with a strong work ethic, someone who leads by example. I'm very proud of her."

Of the 26 candidates whose names were submitted for the scholarship, 16 nominee applications resulted. The alumni and their nominees last year were invited to tour the campus and were interviewed by the scholarship committee. In the end, 10 were chosen to receive the MCJ scholarships. In addition, to Brierley, Chegwidden, Siegle and Vochecowicz, the other recipients are Denise Blackbourne, Kristy McCauley, Daniel Dietz, Jena Rothstein and Jamie Trimble. One recipient, Stephan Vegliante, had to decline the scholarship when his family moved to Georgia. He was nominated by Joan Millar, who earned a master's degree in education administration and supervision and works in the pre-intervention program for the Clifton public school system.

The other alumni nominators were Kevin Wittekind, Charles Dietz, Bisrat Mekbeb, and Michele Fox.

First Sokol science lecturer ignites audience

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the antibiotic tetracycline and the process for its manufacture. A research chemist, teacher and industrialist, Herman Sokol was president of Bristol-Meyers Company from 1976 until he retired in 1981.

"We are grateful to Mrs. Sokol for her generous contribution," Prezant said, adding that the lecture series is expected to continue for five years.

The scheduled spring speaker is Brian Greene, physicist and string theorist. Like Sacks, Greene, a professor of mathematics and physics at Columbia University, displayed an early interest in his field. Born in New York City, Greene grew up spending rainy days in the American Museum of Natural History, where the Hayden Planetarium ignited his passion for the universe. By age five he was able to multiply 30-digit numbers. When he learned he could use mathematics via physics to explain the universe, he was hooked.

A frequent lecturer, Greene presents an interpretation in a theatrical manner, using metaphors, 3-D visuals and humorous analogies, making sophisticated concepts accessible and entertaining to a general audience. "I try to make contact between the abstract ideas of the sciences and the familiar experiences of day-to-day life," he explained. "But I think the questions we seek to answer—What is space? What is time? Where did everything come from?—are questions that touch us all at a deep level. It does not take much to make them interesting and understandable."

Unlike Sacks, Greene is not as firmly entrenched nationally or internationally, but in the field of physics he is well known. Greene may become a more familiar name this winter when he hosts a three-part Nova series called "The Elegant Universe," based on his book of the same name. "We're bringing him on shortly after the series airs on PBS," Prezant said. "We're hoping to get copies of the video and play it on campus before the lecture and we're arranging to have him meet with physics classes ahead of time. He is a tremendous speaker who has the ability to take extremely complex material and make it exciting to the general public."

Greene's lecture will take place Wednesday, March 5, in Memorial Auditorium.

Prezant said bringing high-caliber speakers to campus is filling a niche at the University. "We didn't have a distinguished lecture series and it's something we needed," he said. "It brings recognition to the University and it brings people of national and international renown to campus."

A quick chat with Catherine Katz

Cathy Katz appreciates the value of tradition, but she also recognizes the need for change. These are indispensable qualities for the director of Alumni Relations at a university where alumni span more than seven decades.

Improving existing programs and services for alumni is among Katz's top priorities, but increasing the effectiveness of communication is at the forefront. Here Katz talks about some of her goals and initiatives, and invites alumni to keep the dialogue going by writing to her at the Alumni House, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043 or e-mailing her at katzc@mail.montclair.edu.

Goals:
"After we became a comprehensive university and the graduating classes increased in size, a different kind of relationship emerged among alumni and between alumni and the University, different from the days when Montclair State was a normal school and teachers college. One of our challenges is to enhance programs, like transforming Alumni Weekend to be inclusive of a wider range of alumni. Another goal is to communicate with alumni through electronic means. One way is by improving our online community so it delivers services in more appropriate ways. We will replace our existing online community with a more useful platform that will deliver improved services."

Communication:
"*Alumni Life* is our primary source of information, but a monthly e-newsletter would be a timely complement to that. I'm learning, as I meet with various deans and department chairs, that a lot of faculty are interested in communicating with former students. An e-newsletter is a cost-effective way to get time-sensitive information to 57,000 alumni. As we add online services, we need to inform alumni, so we're asking all alumni to send us their e-mail addresses so we can develop a comprehensive database."

Alumni services:
"President [Susan A.] Cole presented us with a list of benchmark universities so we can look at what some of the best practice models in the country are offering. In addition, Admissions Director Dennis Craig has taken the lead in a new Alumni Ambassadors Program that we will institute this year. We're looking for alumni who are interested in working with Admissions in getting the word out about Montclair State (see story on page 18). We know there are no better recruiters than alumni who have had a successful experience at Montclair State."

Keeping tradition:
"We will continue traditions that have meant so much to alumni through the years, and we're looking for lost traditions we can bring up to date. We're looking forward to the amphitheater renovation, which is one of our primary projects. We're raising money because the amphitheater was such a central location in the lives of alumni throughout the history of the University, and we'd like to make it a central point again."

Alumni PROFILE

Peter Crocitto '83

BY NANCY HUTCHINSON '69 '02 M.A.

There are many alumni who credit Montclair State with launching them on the road to successful careers. Valley National Bank Executive Vice President Peter Crocitto '83 is among them, although his story has a slightly different twist. The year was 1977 and Crocitto was pursuing a degree at night while working full time for a small Jersey City-based financing company during the day. Despite conscientiously rushing straight from work to campus, he was often too late to find a spot in the student parking lots.

"I found myself consistently arriving late for class and was forced to park in the faculty lot," Crocitto said, "and I would always end up with a parking ticket. It was aggravating and costly."

But fate was about to intervene, solving his parking problems and opening the door to what would become his future career. Through a chance encounter with a Valley National customer, Crocitto gained an entree into the bank and they offered him a job. At first he turned down the position because it paid no more than he was currently earning. What the job did offer, however, was a shorter commute to Montclair State and a better chance of finding a legal parking space.

"I figured if I was going to change jobs, I should at least make a few extra bucks each week," he said. "However, a couple of parking tickets later, I decided to give it a shot."

Fast forward to 2002 and find Crocitto celebrating 25 years with Valley National. As executive vice president, he is a member of the bank's six-person executive management team and manages the bank's Retail Banking Network, as well as the Information Systems and Facilities departments, Back-Office Operations and Human Resources.

During Crocitto's career at Valley National, it has grown from a local commercial bank to one of the largest financial institutions in the state, with 128 branch offices and $9 billion in assets.

"Valley has found its niche by providing excellent customer service and local decision making, and is actively involved in the communities it serves," he said. "Valley supports hundreds of local nonprofits and community-based organizations with financial contributions, and the time and talent of Valley employees."

Philanthropy is something Crocitto practices in his private life as well. Born in Italy, he came to the United States with his parents when he was three and became a naturalized citizen in 1965. When Montclair State launched an effort to raise money for an endowed chair in Italian and Italian-American Studies, he was among the first to offer his support in the form of a generous gift to the campaign. The University's partner in the initiative for the endowed chair is UNICO National, the country's largest Italian-American service organization.

"I am extremely proud of my heritage and consider myself fortunate to be able to contribute to Montclair State for the continuation of Italian Studies," said Crocitto, who lives in Upper Saddle River with his wife Elizabeth and their children Elizabeth Marie, Peter Joseph and Madaleine.

He attended Montclair State at night for six years and earned a bachelor's degree in finance. He went on to earn an M.B.A. in accounting from Fairleigh Dickinson University and a diploma from the Stonier Graduate School of Banking.

"When I graduated from high school, I did not plan to attend college," he said. "I soon realized that without a degree my opportunities would be limited."

Providing a blueprint for the future

Montclair State University is committed to serving the educational needs of New Jersey with programs characterized by academic rigor and currency in the development of knowledge and its applications.

While it seems this has been the mission of the University since its founding in 1908, this first line of the University's revised mission statement sets a clear course for Montclair State's role in the 21st century. Approved by the Board of Trustees in October, the revised mission statement is partnered with a comprehensive strategic plan titled "Montclair State University at the Centennial: 1908-2008."

Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Richard Lynde describes the strategic plan as the University's blueprint for the future. "We have made a commitment to the state to help address its shortfall in higher education capacity," he said. New Jersey ranks 44th among states in per capita seats for students in public higher education. One result is that 60 percent of high school graduates who attend college leave the state. As part of its mission, Montclair State—the second largest university in New Jersey—plans to increase the size of its student body to at least 18,000 by 2008.

The strategic plan, Lynde said, provides the blueprint for the future within a framework of values and traditions that have evolved over the past 94 years, such as commitment to accessibility and affordability; dedication to the highest quality in teaching, scholarship, creativity and research; preparing students to be active citizen-participants in a democracy; and providing a dynamic living-learning community, among others. "These values and traditions have served the University well in the past, and they will continue to provide the foundation for future distinction at Montclair State," Lynde said.

The strategic plan clearly outlines the University's goals at the undergraduate, master's and doctoral levels, and initiatives the University will take to support its growth in size, scope and quality of programs. It also outlines the University's commitment and goals in nine specific areas: teaching, research, accessibility, growth, technology, globalization, achievement, service and accountability (see "The Inside Track" on page 2).

"We have been at work to develop a focused strategic plan that will enable us to grow and develop programs and facilities in ways that will ensure that the University continues to be an outstanding educational resource for the people of New Jersey" said President Susan A. Cole.

The entire text of the mission statement and strategic plan is available online at www.montclair.edu.

Scott Williams' grandfather Jan (second from right) with Jan's father and siblings.

Vintage Violin Sings Again

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

There's a lot of history behind the 1880 A.B. Clark violin that was passed down to Scott Williams, a director at PSE&G, when his father Roger passed away in 1992. With Williams serving as narrator, the violin becomes a storybook in which tales of a family of musicians come alive in the fine lines of the instrument's maple grain.

The violin was given to Roger by his father Jan, who was passionate about sharing his love of music with his children. Jan, who played clarinet and bass clarinet with the New York and Boston symphony orchestras and toured with his brother Ernest with John Philips Sousa and the Marine Corps Band, made sure all his children had the opportunity to explore their musical talents. Roger took up violin like his grandfather Samuel, whom Williams believes was the original owner of the A.B. Clark violin. Roger studied at Julliard and played professionally with the Radio City Music Hall Symphony in the 1930s. Once he married and had a family, decisions had to be made. "He was a good musician," Williams said of his late father. "But it wasn't enough to support a family."

As Roger began a career in the purchasing field, the family's love of music never waned. Williams initially followed in his great-uncle's footsteps and pursued the trumpet. Later, when given a choice of practicing six hours a day or pursuing an engineering degree, Williams chose engineering. He married Montclair State graduate Ingrid Williams '92 BMus, '96 M.A., a church organist and professionally active musician.

None of the Williams' children pursued the violin, so the 122-year-old instrument has remained in its case except to be shown and admired. "It's nice to look at," said Williams, a member of Montclair State's Board of Trustees. "But I realized that a violin has to be played." So Williams donated the violin to Montclair State's Musical Instrument Endowment Fund so it can come alive again in the hands of talented student violinists. The Fund was established two years ago by Williams' fellow board member Murray L. Cole and Cole's wife Miriam to assist music students with limited financial means. The fund welcomes cash gifts to purchase new instruments as well as donations of previously played quality instruments.

David W. Conrad of the Old World Shop in Orange appraised the violin at $3,500 and described it as being in "very good condition." Fred Cohen, chair of the Music Department, agreed. "There are not many American violins of this vintage," he said.

Music Dept. Chair Fred Cohen (left), admires the 1880 A.B. Clark violin with Scott Williams.

The Music Department, which has been training professional musicians for more than 40 years and presents more than 100 performances annually, is in desperate need of good instruments. Cohen will share the violin with the renowned Shanghai Quartet, which became the University's first string quartet in residence this year, to decide how to put the violin to best use. "This will make a number of violin students very happy," he said.

And for Williams, who also is an adjunct professor of business, accounting and finance at County College of Morris, "that's what makes it all worthwhile."

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CAMPUS NEWS

University gets $2.5-million Department of Education grant

The U.S. Department of Education recently awarded Montclair State a $2.5-million grant through its highly competitive Transition to Teaching program. The five-year grant will fund the New Jersey Consortium for Urban Education (NJCUE). Led by Montclair State, NJCUE will develop and pilot a new Alternate Route to Teaching program for New Jersey.

"We are delighted that the U.S. Department of Education has given us funding and support for a groundbreaking partnership in New Jersey to educate and mentor new, highly qualified teachers for Abbott districts," said Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services.

State Department of Education Commissioner William L. Librera added, "The New Jersey Consortium for Urban Education will enable us to offer a new option in our Alternate Route program that will recruit and prepare teachers for rewarding and successful careers in our urban public schools. I am pleased and proud that the Department of Education is a partner in this endeavor."

NJCUE creates a new and unprecedented partnership among Montclair State University, the state Department of Education, Kean University, New Jersey City University, William Paterson University and the school districts of Newark, Paterson and Jersey City. Elizabeth, Asbury Park and Trenton will be added to the partnership in the fourth year of the project.

The Consortium will pilot a new approach to fast-track certification that will place provisionally certified teachers in the classroom following a six-week, graduate credit summer experience that integrates courses and fieldwork.

The project will include selective recruitment of recent college graduates and career-change professionals, preparation in critical areas of effective teaching in urban areas including a summer teaching internship, intensive mentoring throughout the first year of service, on-going graduate level coursework, an interface with master of arts in teaching programs, open access to an online beginning teacher network, and an onsite peer coaching and buddy system for the second and third years.

"NJCUE will make a major contribution to addressing the need for new, highly qualified teachers in high-need districts in New Jersey by recruiting, supporting and preparing 270 teachers in math, science and special education," Cutler added.

Getting closer... Montclair State recently received $5,000 on behalf of the Columbian Foundation in support of the University's campaign to raise $1.25 million to establish an endowed chair in Italian/Italian-American Studies. The endowment will fund, in perpetuity, a professorship to ensure the growth and continuity of teaching, scholarship, programming and outreach in the field of Italian and Italian-American language and culture. Pictured, from left, are Richard Gigliotti, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences; Gregory L. Waters, vice president for University Advancement; Andrew R. Vassallo, president of the Columbian Foundation; and Peter Albano, treasurer of the Columbian Foundation.

New academic building will be University's biggest

Plans are underway for the University's New Academic Building (NAB), which will be the largest, most comprehensive facility ever built on campus.

To be constructed on lot 14, the NAB will house the College of Education and Human Services (CEHS), but all the colleges and schools will use it. When completed, the building will contain more than one-third of the general classroom space on campus.

S/L/A/M Collaborative, which has done extensive work in higher education, is designing the building. "We want a building that will reflect, not replicate, our Spanish mission style," said Provost Richard Lynde. "S/L/A/M's initial design reflected our needs. They have good imagination and will provide a landmark northern entrance to campus."

The NAB will be 270,000 square feet. (In comparison, Dickson Hall is 90,000 square feet.) The building will be able to hold more than 6,000 people at any given time, and its conference center will be large enough to accommodate groups of up to 400. Lynde said the University is seeking to construct a building that will provide flexibility and will be environmentally friendly in terms of building materials and energy efficiency.

"Students are looking for classrooms that are comfortable and functional," Lynde said. "They want state-of-the-art technology and would like to see public space to go to between classes. The faculty is looking for classroom space conducive to learning, and they would like to see highly mediated space."

Groundbreaking for the NAB is scheduled for the spring, and the building is expected to open in summer 2005.

Put it in park... The Red Hawk Deck, which opened in January, accommodates 1,200 vehicles on eight levels. Located to the west of College Hall next to the amphitheater, it will be connected to the new Alexander Kasser Theater, expected to be completed in May 2004. The 500-seat, state-of-the-art theater will be used extensively by the music program as well as by the theater and dance program. Stay informed about Montclair State's construction projects by logging on to the University's main Web site—www.montclair.edu—and clicking on Rocky the Red Hawk in the hard hat.

Undergraduates conduct original research

Professors Jack Gaynor (center) and Scott Kight (right) of the Department of Biology and Molecular Biology discuss possible research topics with students (from left) Sharon Graber, Tara Settineri and Christopher Player.

Does a praying mantis have decision-making abilities when it comes to attacking its prey? What causes aggressive behavior in Siamese fighting fish? Is there a correlation between lack of food and infanticide in mice? These are just a few of the original research projects conducted by undergraduates in a yearlong course funded in part by the National Science Foundation.

Now in its third year, the Research Community courses were developed by Scott Kight, Jack Gaynor, John Smallwood and Dirk Vanderklein of Biology and Molecular Biology with a $68,000 matching grant from the National Science Foundation. The first year focused on organismal research. The second year had an ecological focus and this year's course has a molecular biology approach. The common thread, however, is that all the students design and conduct original research and experience the peer review process. In other words, they take on the role of true scientists.

"We want students to experience what scientists do," Gaynor explained, "helping them realize another career opportunity in the life sciences." Because peer review, writing grant proposals and making presentations are all part of the job description, they also are part of this course.

"The traditional way of teaching science is lecture with a lab once a week, following a cookbook experiment," Kight said. "This is an innovation in the way science is taught because these courses are designed to give undergraduate biology majors a jumpstart into a process normally reserved for advanced graduate students."

After the students present successful research proposals, they actually conduct their proposed research the following semester. The final result is publishing the results or presenting the outcome at a scientific meeting, such as the annual Sigma Xi Student Research Conference.

Janet Lucente, a senior biology and geography major who took the course the first year with Kight, said the experience gave her the direction she needed in deciding on a career path. "I knew I wasn't going premed," she said, "but I didn't know what I wanted to do. This course changed my life."

After graduation in May, Lucente plans to pursue a master's degree and then embark on a career of research. "It's so exciting," she said. "Having the opportunity to do my own research got me interested in other areas of research."

To help the students in their research, state-of-the-art equipment, such as an automated DNA sequencer, an infrared gas analyzer and a variety of field biology equipment, was purchased to give them hands-on research experience rarely available at the undergraduate level.

Tara Settineri, a senior molecular biology major, will be working with two other students on a research project involving mitochondria. "It's very interesting," she said. "Research is the best part of molecular biology. I'm looking forward to the semester."

Settineri said the experience will help her whether she decides to go to medical school, veterinary school or graduate school. "It's great that we get to do work like this at the undergraduate level," she said. "You learn so much more when you do your own research."

"Science works in a process of discovery," Kight said, "and we are training students to think like scientists. They are seeing that this is an exciting thing to do for a living. Students who take this course and go on to graduate school are hitting the ground running."

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Justice Dept. grant helps reduce violent crimes against women

Montclair State received a $200,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Justice, Office of Justice Programs, to develop and implement a campus-wide program to reduce violent crimes against women. The money will be used to purchase equipment to enhance the campus Health and Wellness Center's forensic examination abilities and to develop programs for both men and women that will change social norms regarding women and violence.

Donna Barry, director of Health Services, applied for the grant. She is one of three specially trained Sexual Assault Nurse Examiners (SANE) at the center who can provide medical treatment after examining victims for forensic evidence collection. University Police also received special training in issues regarding sexual assault law and victims' rights and needs.

Montclair State has a Sexual Assault Response Team (SART) modeled after New Jersey State Standards for Providing Services to Survivors of Sexual Assault. In addition, the Health and Wellness Center will serve as a designated treatment site for Essex County. "State law requires each county to have sites in emergency rooms where this treatment can be done," Barry explained. "We now serve as such a site."

Montclair State is the only college or university in New Jersey that performs forensic examinations on campus, and the only one to be recognized by its county as an official site.

Posthumous honors... Rosemarie Csanitz, who passed away May 31 just a few credits shy of completing her degree, was posthumously awarded a bachelor of arts degree in sociology and inducted into the Sociology Honor Society. Rosemarie had a GPA of 3.87 and was "exactly the kind of student you'd want to have in your class," said Jay Livingston, chair of the Sociology Department. Rosemarie's family received her diploma from Richard Gigliotti, dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, and a certificate of induction into the Sociology Honor Society from Livingston. "We induct only six to 12 students each year," he said. "Rosemarie would have been among them." Pictured are, from left, Dean of Students Helen Matusow-Ayres, Gigliotti, and Rosemarie's family: 5-year-old daughter, Eva, husband George Terembes, sister-in-law Judy Terembes, and her mother-in-law and father-in-law, Barbara and George Terembes Sr.

ALUMNI NEWS

For information on the following programs, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

A special day on campus

Classes of 1943, 1948, 1953 and 1958: We're rolling out the red carpet for you on Wednesday, March 5. You and your classmates are invited to spend a day on campus. Sit in on a class, enjoy lunch with President Susan A. Cole, attend an afternoon concert and hold a class meeting to finish your Alumni Weekend planning.

Get set for Alumni Weekend

Calling all members of graduating classes ending in 3 and 8: This year's Alumni Weekend is for you. "Building the Future" will connect you with friends, classmates and other alumni. Save the date: Saturday, May 3. Watch for details.

MSU Pride

Help us identify alumni who are making a difference in the state of New Jersey. (There are thousands of you.) We seek stories of individuals whose efforts change people's lives. Whether your work is person-to-person or through a business or nonprofit institution, contact us and let us hear how MSU alumni make an impact on the state.

Legacy Scholarships available

Take advantage of a scholarship for children and grandchildren of alumni. If you are a Montclair State graduate and your child or your grandchild will enter MSU next fall as a freshman, consider having him/her apply for the Alumni Association Legacy Scholarship. This scholarship provides the equivalent of one year's tuition to the child or grandchild of an "active" MSU alumna/alumnus. (Whenever you make a contribution to the MSUAA Annual Fund, you are considered to be an "active" alumna/us for that fiscal year.) The Legacy Scholarship is awarded on the basis of financial need and academic achievement. Scholarship candidates must file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) form, indicating Montclair State as one of the recipients. Application deadline is March 1. For more information about the Legacy Scholarship, as well as other scholarships sponsored by the MSUAA, go to www.montclair.edu/pages/alumni.

Get on Board

Volunteer for the Alumni Association Executive Board and help develop programs that address the needs and interests of alumni from the 1970s, 1980s and 1990s. Submit your name by e-mail or telephone by Jan. 28.

Alumni employers and job seekers

Help us to keep Montclair State alumni working. We plan to sponsor a career fair for alumni in the fall—and we will launch an online career center with job postings and mentoring in the spring. If you are in a position to hire, or if you know an employer who could benefit from recruiting MSU alumni, let us know.

If you are considering changing jobs or careers, go online to MSU's Career Services Web site SIGI Plus, a career planning software that integrates self-assessment and up-to-date career information. SIGI Plus can help you clarify work-related issues; search and create a list of occupations based on your values, interests and work skills; gather information on hundreds of occupations, including education and training requirements; and put a career plan into action. Call the Alumni Office to get your username and password.

Support the Alumni Association

Make a contribution to the Alumni Annual Fund. Every gift is significant. Your gift supports scholarships, improved services to alumni, renovation of the amphitheater, and research grants for students and faculty. Your gift also makes you an "active" member of the Alumni Association, which allows you discounts to theater and athletic events, as well as library privileges and access to the pool. Send your check to the MSU Alumni Association, 34 Normal Avenue, Upper Montclair, NJ 07043.

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Thank you... The Alumni Association held its annual appreciation luncheon for donors Nov. 17 on campus. Pictured Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A., president of the Alumni Association, presents Montclair State President Susan A. Cole with a check for $75,000 for the amphitheater restoration project. To see more pictures from the luncheon, go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Alumnus elected Montclair State Foundation chair

Paul V. Stahlin '74, chief financial officer of Fleet Card Credit Services, has been elected chair of the Board of Trustees of the Montclair State University Foundation.

"Paul's financial expertise, community involvement and dedication to Montclair State make him the ideal Foundation chair," said Gregory L. Waters, vice president for University Advancement. "Under his strong leadership, the Foundation will surely prosper."

The Foundation, created in 1960 by alumni and friends to provide financially for the educational needs of the University, sponsors more than 350 annual scholarships and underwrites a variety of programs to reward excellent teaching and scholarship. Its annual grants also fund start-up costs of worthy programs in both academic and student life, and cover costs of special, unanticipated opportunities that would otherwise go unrealized.

"Under the leadership of President Susan A. Cole, MSU has evolved into the leading university in northern New Jersey," said Stahlin, a certified public accountant. "At the Foundation, we are committed to the professional management and stewardship of contributions to support the University's many worthy projects and programs that have elevated it to its regional leadership role."

As executive vice president and chief financial officer of Fleet Credit Card Services, Stahlin oversees all financial functions. He spent more than 20 years at Summit Bancorp prior to its acquisition by Fleet. He began his career in public accounting, including six years with Price Waterhouse & Co.

Stahlin is actively involved in community and professional affairs. He is a council member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and serves as a trustee of St. Charles Borromeo Parish. He is a past president of the New Jersey Society of CPAs, an organization with more than 14,000 members, and was treasurer of Girls Scouts of USA's Rolling Hills Council. He also has been honored with the Boy Scouts of America's Good Scout Award and the Girl Scouts of USA's Thanks Badge.

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News from the Black Alumni Chapter

Members of the Alumni Association's Black Alumni Chapter gathered at the Alumni House to discuss ways of attracting new members. Pictured seated from left, are Donna Teel '80, Brenda Coleman-Caldwell '78 and Lori Scott-Pickens '78; standing from left, Diane Gipson '80, Fred Newman '81, Taylor Newman, Karen Newman '78 and Pam Travis '78.

The Black Alumni Chapter (BAC) is paving the way as the MSUAA's first chapter. One of its missions is to support undergraduate minority students experiencing financial or economic challenges through biannual scholarships for books.

"Our enriched education from Montclair State University will last us a lifetime," said Diane Gipson, BAC president. "Every student should have the opportunity to receive an education."

To support "BAC for Books," mail your contribution to the Alumni Association, Montclair State University, Black Alumni Chapter-BAC for Books, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ, 07043-9987. You can become an active member of the Black Alumni Chapter by sending a contribution of any amount to this address. Please note that your donation is for membership. All are welcome to attend BAC meetings, scheduled for Feb. 15, March 1, April 18, May 16 and June 7. For more information, call Gipson at 973-450-0786 or e-mail her at drgip265@aol.com.

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We are sad to announce the loss of two BAC founding members: Ruth Elizabeth Stuart and Pam Sellers. Both were influential leaders in their communities. "The BAC will honor them by building a chapter that will make a difference in the lives of Montclair State students and alumni," said Alumni Director Catherine Katz.

Correction

The following names inadvertently were omitted from the Honor Roll of Donors that appeared in the Fall 2002 issue of *Alumni Life*.

Banner Club
($1,000 - $4,999)
Cheryl Hopper '95 M.A. and John Mooney

Bell Tower
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Ruth Kantenwein Griffin '41
and Forest Griffin
Joan Schleede-Horn

La Campanilla Club
($250 - $499)
Gladys Akillian '54 '58 M.A.

Century Club
($100 - $249)
David Suter '78

Calendar of Events

Jan. 29: Panzer Night will honor Hall-of-Famers
Panzer alumni are invited to join the fans at the Red Hawk basketball game against Rutgers-Newark at 8 p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 29. Tickets are free to Panzer Hall of Famers. Help us honor members of the Panzer Hall of Fame at a halftime reception hosted by the MSUAA in cooperation with the Athletic Department.

March 5: Come Back to College
MSU will honor the classes of 1943, 1948, 1953 and 1958 as members of these classes are invited to start their reunion early with a special visit to campus.

April 30: Pharmfest
This daylong program—hosted by the School of Business, the College of Science and Mathematics and Career Development in cooperation with the Healthcare Institute of New Jersey and the pharmaceutical and medical technology industries—gives attendees the opportunity to learn about careers and the business and science of pharmaceutical industries. Some participating firms may be accepting resumes. The governor has been invited to return to campus to launch the program as he did last year. For more information, call the Career Development Office at 973-655-7979.

May 3: Alumni Weekend
All alumni are invited to help us celebrate with graduates of classes ending in 3 and 8. This all-day affair can include events tailored to the needs of your group. Organizers are wanted.

May 8: Superintendents' Breakfast
Join us for this fun and informative networking event.

For more information, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Five inducted into Hall of Fame... Five former Montclair State athletes were inducted into the Athletics Hall of Fame at a ceremony Nov. 15.

The inductees, pictured with Assistant Athletic Director Trude Wolfarth (third from left), are (from left), basketball and softball standout Debra Emery '86, men's basketball player Ed Riche '82, cross country/track competitor James Harris '67, former softball coach Wilma "Willie" Rucker, 1984-1990 and basketball and softball standout Kim Wilson '91.

This new class, the 31st, brings the total number of inductees to 168. To read more about the inductees and their accomplishments at Montclair State, go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

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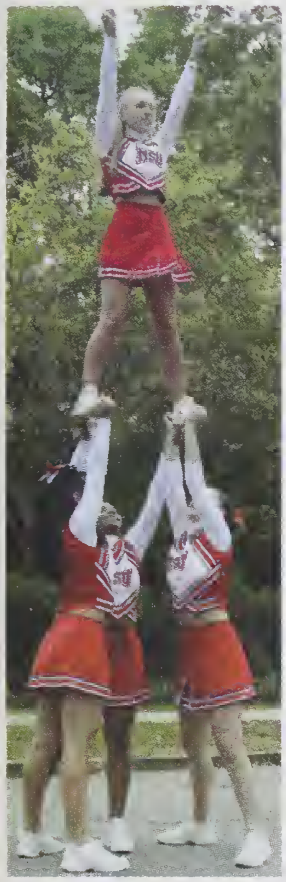

Pictured clockwise from right, this year's grand marshal Jeff Friedman, an Emmy Award-winning producer for New Jersey Network television, in his Nash Metropolitan. Rain doesn't chase away spectators enjoying the Homecoming parade. Performances by the Greek organizations this year had a Broadway theme in common. Montclair State fans make sure they fill their stomachs before watching the Red Hawk football team beat William Paterson 35-0. Cheerleaders get the crowd pepped up for a day of exciting Red Hawk sports events.

Alumni Reach Out to Prospective Students

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE '75

Who can tell prospective students more about life at Montclair State than those with the experience? Alumni traditionally have served as the best recruiters for the University and now they can become part of the new Alumni Ambassador Program.

Dennis Craig, director of Undergraduate Admissions, is coordinating the project designed to help attract and cultivate new generations of students. The hope is that the program will fulfill the interests of many alumni, providing them with the opportunity to serve Montclair State while establishing more formal channels to harness their loyalty, wisdom and energy. The University anticipates that as the program grows, the volunteer spirit will steadily gain momentum, creating a forum for alumni and new students to network.

Craig outlined the goals that will provide the framework for the program as it moves forward. The first is to develop a database of graduates who are interested in participating in the admissions effort. This database will be built and maintained in conjunction with Catherine Katz, director of Alumni Relations (see page 9). Craig hopes to establish a pool of 200 active volunteer ambassadors who can commit to one or two recruitment activities a year, such as the annual college fairs sponsored by area high schools. He plans to work with alumni individually, matching them with activities for which they are best suited. For example, some alumni enjoy public speaking engagements, while others might prefer working with parents and prospective students.

Mary Santorella '89 is ready to spread the word about Montclair State.

The second goal is a training program for alumni volunteers, fortifying their efforts to represent the University when meeting with high school guidance counselors and administrators.

Craig explained there are key areas of the state and the surrounding metropolitan region where Montclair State has identified a need to enhance its visibility.

"Seventy-five percent of our alumni live and work in New Jersey," said Katz. "If we can develop the volunteer pool Dennis Craig has requested, alumni can help President [Susan A.] Cole respond to the critical needs of the state by increasing enrollment. Alumni will be better at this work than anyone else."

Organizing an ambassador training database that would enable alumni volunteers to speak confidently about MSU and provide information on frequently asked questions is another goal on Craig's list.

"We know there are many graduates out there ready to help," Craig said. "Alumni have a powerful voice when representing Montclair State. They add credibility and sincerity to the University's recruitment and promotional efforts."

Mary Santorella '89 is one of those powerful voices. She enjoys the role, given her professional background in the field of marketing and communications as well as her experience at Montclair State, including participation in the Student Government Association and other clubs and activities.

Santorella has stayed in touch with School of Business professors and Dean Alan Oppenheim, who encouraged her to help create a database for business alumni. He also urged her to take an active role in mentoring new students. Last year she took part in a freshman orientation program, where she met Craig. Eventually she became involved in the ambassador project and has helped to steer the effort as it unfolds.

"Utilizing enthusiastic alumni for the Ambassador Program represents a keen example of employing the right people in the right job who believe in the product," she said. "Word of mouth is the best advertising, and the best marketing strategy is telling the truth."

Santorella shared a recent experience when, by chance, she met a young woman at a University event. The high school student and her father were touring the campus when Santorella overheard their conversation and offered assistance in response to their questions about Montclair State.

"Once we started talking and I told her about my experiences here, I could see she was turned on," Santorella said. "Then her father said, 'I'm looking in your eyes and I can tell that you're telling us the truth.' He was impressed by what I had to say. He could see I had a passion for the University. I told them, 'Let me walk you down the Yellow Brick Road. You have no idea the magic that you'll find here.' "

Alumni interested in learning more about the Ambassador Program, should call Craig at 973-655-7060 or e-mail him at craigd@mail.montclair.edu.

Here's how the Red Hawks fared this fall. For the winter sports schedule, go to www.montclair.edu/athletics.

FIELD HOCKEY

The Red Hawks finished 12-6 overall, 2-2 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC), in their first season under head coach Beth Gottung, and the team advanced to the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III Mid-Atlantic semifinals for the third consecutive year. Junior goalie Trisha Winkle posted a 1.29-goals-against-average and six shutouts, and was named to the 2002 STX/NFHCA South Atlantic All-Region Team and All-NJAC Team, as was junior defender Jen Carbonaro. Junior Sarah Levine led Montclair in scoring with 10 goals and 24 points, while Meg Ulicny also was named All-NJAC after tallying seven goals and 20 points. The team won eight of its nine games in October, including five consecutive victories to close out the month.

FOOTBALL

Montclair State finished 5-5 overall, 4-2 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC), including a 40-7 win over archrival The College of New Jersey, and came within one win of the NJAC title and a fourth straight NCAA tournament trip. Wide receiver Eric Magrini caught 57 passes for 798 yards and five scores, and closed out his career with a school record 198 receptions for another record 2,864 yards, plus 23 career touchdowns. Freshman quarterback John DiGirolamo took the offensive reins by completing 160 of 317 passes for 2,315 yards and 16 touchdowns while garnering three NJAC Offensive Rookie of the Week selections. Senior linebacker Keith Migliorino capped his career by leading Montclair State with 77 total tackles, two ahead of junior Ray Meyer, while senior end Maurice Green was third with 60 tackles.

MEN'S SOCCER

The Red Hawks advanced to the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Metro championship game for the second time in three seasons, and for the first time with new head coach Brian Sentowski. MSU finished 12-7-2 overall, 3-5-1 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC), winning the season-opening Ramada Inn Cup for the third time in five seasons. Atiba Yusuf led Montclair in scoring with seven goals and 18 points, finishing his career among the MSU Top 10 for total goals, assists and points, while sophomore goalkeeper Chris Owen posted a 0.76-goals-against-average and 10 shutouts in 21 outings. Both players also earned All-NJAC accolades, as did teammates Mike Hogan, Matt Caswell, Steve Leonard and Sean Pasieka.

WOMEN'S SOCCER

Montclair State made its third consecutive appearance in the Eastern Collegiate Athletic Conference (ECAC) Division III Metro Championship game to cap a 12-7-2 season. MSU also finished 6-2-1 in New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) games, and played in the conference championship game for the first time. Sophomore forward Stephanie Sabaliauskas topped the Red Hawks with 13 goals and 30 points, and was named All-NJAC along with Kelly Dutko, Lu Scarabaggio, Kristin Weber and Gabby White. Senior goalkeeper Stephanie Romanko recorded 13 shutouts and was named All-NJAC and the NJAC Defensive Player of the Year. She also became the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III all-time women's soccer leader with 7,842 career minutes played in her four seasons, and finished her career with school records of 356 career saves, 86 games played, 55 victories, 46 shutouts, and a 0.78 goals-against average.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

The Red Hawks finished 9-2 overall, 3-1 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC), with junior Modiegi Notoane and senior Maria Cunningham being named one of three All-NJAC doubles teams after posting a 6-3 record. Notoane also earned All-NJAC singles honors with a 9-4 mark, while Eva Salierno finished with a team-best 11-2 record. Head Coach Brian McLaughlin earned his 100th career win with the team's 8-1 triumph over Stevens Tech during a stretch in which the Red Hawks won five of six matches.

VOLLEYBALL

The Red Hawks rebounded from a four-win campaign in 2001 to post a 13-13 overall record, 3-5 in the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC). MSU also improved to 7-2 on the road, and was 10-8 in non-conference matches. Senior hitter Stacey Johnson paced Montclair with 263 kills, while sophomore setter Jennifer Olan finished with 643 assists. Freshman Flavia Vega recorded a team-high 192 digs, and sophomore Brookshield Laurent collected a team-best 21 blocks. Sophomore hitter Tiffany Aciz registered 193 kills, 175 digs and 50 service aces before missing most of October with an injury. The Red Hawks recorded seven 3-0 sweeps on the year and also finished first in the Kings Point (N.Y.) Invitational after posting victories over SUNY Farmingdale, Kings Point and Manhattanville.

CROSS COUNTRY

The Montclair State women's team opened the season by winning the Gothic Knight Invitational in Jersey City. The Red Hawk women then finished second in the New Jersey Association for Intercollegiate Athletics for Women (NJAIAW) championships in West Paterson while the Montclair men finished second in the Collegiate Track Conference (CTC) Championships. Both teams then won their respective divisions in the New Jersey City Invitational before the Red Hawk men finished in eighth place at the New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) Championships in Trenton. Freshman Aaron Lieb was consistently one of the men's top runners, while senior Karina Zyla and freshman Cathleen Dale paced the women's squad.

That's *Life*

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Evelyn (Peg) Freeland Taylor and **Robert G. Lee '53** enjoyed a visit together following a church gathering in Florida this summer.

Evelyn Freeland Taylor and Robert Lee

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Albert Zanetti '50 M.A. was appointed interim superintendent of Maywood schools.

Morris (Moe) McGee has been elected vice president of the London-based Richard III Society.

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Leonard C. Blessing '51 M.A. organized the fall meeting of the International Committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Harry Eichhorn, music teacher and founder/conductor of the Ocean Grove Summer Band, was honored by the Ocean Grove Camp Meeting Association. Eichhorn was presented with a plaque that will be affixed to the Memorial Pavilion. He is now preparing for the band's 51st season.

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Naomi Glucksman Levine and **Joseph Wohlgemuth '89 '95 M.A.** recently received Allegro Productions' Toby Awards. Levine received a Lifetime Achievement Award for her work in local theater and off-off Broadway, and Wohlgemuth was presented with the Best Actor in a Musical Award for his outstanding performance in "Blood Brothers."

Joseph Wohlgemuth and Naomi Glucksman Levine

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Dorothea Hooper '58 M.A. was elected to the Dover School Board. She spent eight years as an adjunct professor of history and humanities at Southern New Hampshire University.

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William C. Liess has retired after 17 years as superintendent of Clifton Public Schools. Prior to becoming superintendent, he had spent 30 years as a social studies teacher and assistant superintendent.

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Helen Aslanides received an honorary degree and $2,500 from Princeton University as part of its 2002 Prize for Distinguished Secondary School Teaching in the State of New Jersey. She studied in India and Korea on a Fulbright Scholarship, has taught in Bombay and in Ghana, and has served as Ridgewood High School's domestic and foreign exchange coordinator.

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Barbara Berke Ellicott '67 M.A. successfully completed the Boston Marathon. She also competed in other events, including the John Gray 10-Mile Run in Orleans, Mass., and the Skylands Triathlon in Clinton, where she came in second for her age group. Ellicott is a licensed speech pathologist and owner of Therapeutic Services in Madison.

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Joan Phillips Shufro '68 M.A. earned a law degree from Rutgers Law School and recently was admitted to practice in New Jersey. She is a corporate lawyer with Pfizer, Inc.

Robert T. Burger, recipient of the first Ph.D. in computer science from Penn State and founder of SynXis Corporation, was honored by Penn State's Computer Science Department as an Outstanding Engineering Alumnus.

Robert T. Burger

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Kathy Pregun Mosher '69 M.A. has retired from a 34-year career as a music teacher. She and her husband **Tom '64, '69 M.A.,** also a retired music teacher, remain active in their musical endeavors.

67

Maria Mustillo retired after 35 years teaching in the South Brunswick school district. For the past 33 years she also taught French at South Brunswick High School.

Granville Y. Brady '68 M.A. earned a doctorate in audiology from Arizona School of Health Sciences.

Granville Y. Brady

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Barbara Spillane M.A. was one of 30 teachers from the United States and the United Kingdom chosen to attend a seminar at Oxford University sponsored by the Gilder-Lehrman Institute, "Looking at America from the Outside: the View from Britain." The middle school social studies teacher has been in the Belleville school district for 20 years.

Richard Langheim '75 M.A. has retired after 32 years as an educator. Although he is leaving his post as executive director of Management

Information Systems for the Ridgewood school district, he plans to remain active teaching at the college level.

69

John Harold Straub II M.A. was elected to the executive board of the Passaic County Retired Educators Association, and re-elected as delegate to the Presbytery of the Palisades from Westminster Presbyterian Church of Paterson.

70

Rosalinda Psolka received the 2002 Apex Award for Publications Excellence. The international competition recognizes excellence in corporate communications. Psolka is public relations writer/editor for the Office of Enrollment Management at Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, and also is an adjunct professor of freshman rhetoric and composition.

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Richard A. Bay M.A. is preparing for ordination to the priesthood in 2004.

Gail Sloat of Boulder, Colo., was the first recipient of the "Woman of Valor Leadership Award" presented to her by the Allied Jewish Federation of Colorado.

Suzanne L. Westberg has been appointed principal of Conackamack Middle School in Piscataway. Westberg has served as interim principal since December 2001.

Barbara Rusignuolo '77 M.A. made the transition from business education teacher to guidance counselor at Triton High School in Blackwood.

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John Fiumecaldo works with the felony waiver unit at the Defenders Association of Philadelphia, Pa. He holds a master's degree in criminal justice from Florida International University of Miami.

Susanna Lippoczy Rich received the 2001 Kean University Presidential Excellence Award for Distinguished Teaching. She was recognized for her influence in the teaching of writing as put forth in her textbook, *The Flexible Writer.*

Beverly E. Bartell teaches learning disabled students at Bedminster Elementary School.

Frank E. Loiacono is the executive director of Humana Military Healthcare Services' Western Region Office in Dayton, Ohio. In 1988 Loiacono retired from the U.S. Navy's Medical Service Corps at the rank of Commander.

75

Douglas Rallo had his article, "Recovering Lost Earning Capacity Under the Worker's Compensation Act," published in the July issue of the Illinois State Bar Association's *Bar Journal Magazine*.

Richard Baccarella has been named principal of Bayonne High School. Baccarella had formerly served as elementary school principal at Washington Community School.

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Robert J. Iacullo, president of United Water New Jersey and New York, was appointed to the Board of Trustees of the Bergen County Economic Development Corporation.

Daniel Infanti was appointed chief marketing officer at Sigma Group. He previously was vice president at Sharp Electronics.

Barbara Lombardy, a first grade teacher at Riverview School in Denville, received the 2001-2002 Morris County Teacher Recognition Award.

Leslee Blessing Mabee became director of Arts Curriculum Development for the Brighton, N.Y. School District.

Rosanne M. Morgan is technology supervisor for grades K-12 in Old Bridge. Morgan has been a business education teacher for nearly 10 years.

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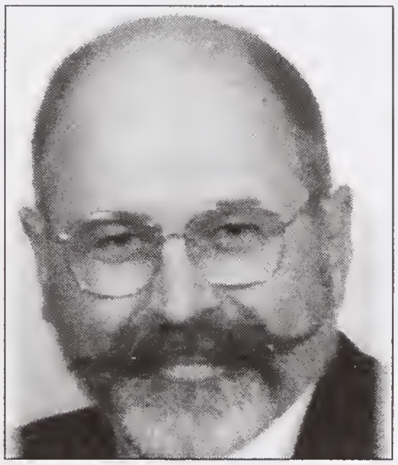
Ken Condon has been named president of Bally's Atlantic City.

Thomas M. Nestor launched NestorAssociates.com, a consulting firm specializing in contract management and procurement services.



Thomas M. Nestor

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Donna Dangler is the organist for the congregation at Emmanuel Baptist Church in Ridgewood.

Jose Fuentes, a Superior Court judge, was appointed to the Appellate Division in New Jersey.

Jeff Friedman received six Mid-Atlantic Emmy nominations in the categories of Outstanding Talk Program Series, Public Affairs Series, and Health and Science Program for New Jersey Network's (NJN) series, "Due Process," and Outstanding Magazine Format Broadcasting and Public Affairs Program/One Time Only Special. He was the winner in the category of Outstanding Magazine Format Broadcast for "America Together: Heroes," on which he worked with MSU Broadcasting students. Friedman is executive producer and station manager at NJN Public Television and Radio and an adjunct professor in the Broadcasting Department at Montclair State University.

Jeff Friedman

John H. Kanouse, vice president of the Risk Control Group of Marsh USA, was chosen by the American Society of Safety Engineers to be International Practice Specialty Administrator.

Gary Schaller is teaching high school math in the New Providence school district.

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Toni Bilotti Cecere, director of choral activities and liturgical music at Don Bosco Prep in Ramsey, is working with K-12 students as artistic and executive director of YouthSong, a performance-based chorus and voice training program in Bergen County.

Elaine Higgins was named "Alumna of Achievement" at a recent celebration hosted by Marylawn of the Oranges Academy of South Orange. She is executive producer of the investigative unit known as the ITEAM for UPN News. Higgins received an Emmy Award for breaking news in the coverage of the World Trade Center attack, and also has received several Associated Press awards.

Vivian Olshen M.A. recently presented her work at "Art at the Oval" in Livingston. Vivian is a painting instructor at the Jewish Community Center (JCC) of Metropolitan New Jersey in West Orange and leads a gallery and museum course at the JCC.

Kenneth L. Walsh has become pastor of the New Baltimore Reformed Church in New York.

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Robert J. Chiaradio was chosen by KPMG Consulting as managing director and lead adviser on homeland security. He was formerly executive assistant director for administration at the FBI.

Tim Cronin was named president of the New Jersey Recreation and Parks Association.

William J. Lee M.A. was named principal of Tappan Zee Elementary School in Westchester, N.Y.

Sam Mills is being inducted into the New Jersey Sports Hall of Fame in February and has been nominated for induction into the Professional Football Hall of Fame. Mills, who played for Montclair State from 1977-1980, is one of eight first-time nominees. The Hall of Fame's Board of Trustees will reduce the number of nominees from 74 to 12. Mills was inducted into the University's Athletic Hall of Fame in 1992. He received an honorary degree from Montclair State in 1998 and is one of only two athletes in the University's history to have a retired number (62). He played 12 seasons in the NFL, playing the first nine seasons of his career with the New Orleans Saints and three with the Carolina Panthers. He was also a three-time All-USFL selection and helped the Philadelphia Stars to league titles in 1983 and 1984. Currently a coach with the Carolina Panthers, Mills has a statue in his honor outside Ericsson Stadium in Charlotte, S.C.

Sam Mills

Glenn E. Tynan was named vice president of finance and chief financial officer for Curtiss-Wright Corporation, where he has served since May 2000 as the company's corporate comptroller.

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Kevin Lee Allen, of the award-winning design firm Kevin Lee Allen Design, was hired by the U.S. Navy to redesign one of their state-of-the-art computer facilities.

E. Scott Garrett was elected to the United States House of Representatives and will represent New Jersey's Fifth Congressional District.

Sue Harris '91 M.A. was awarded the LGBTI (Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered or Intersexed) Achievement Award of Honor at Honor 2002, the 14th annual fundraiser for fhe New Jersey Lesbian and Gay Coalition and the Personal Liberty Fund. The event was held in Edison.

John Henry '84 M.A., a teacher of applied technology at Woodbury High School, received the 2002 Radio Shack National Teacher Award.

Nancy Ruane M.A. was named principal of the Mary J. Donohoe School in Bayonne.

Paul J. Maloney, an eighth-grade teacher, received the Outstanding Teacher of American History Award, presented by the New Jersey Daughters of the American Revolution.

Anthony Emering '93 M.A. has become the substance awareness coordinator at James Caldwell High School. Emering was recognized by the Essex County Board of Freeholders for his contributions as a counselor to the community as coordinator of drug and alcohol treatment programs at The Bridge, a drug and alcohol abuse center in Caldwell.

Brian M. Cige was elected president of the Somerset County Bar Association.

Sharon Cardoso won Newark's Public School Teacher of the Year and Essex County Teacher of the Year awards. She is a science teacher at Ann Street School.

Brian Sayre M.A. was hired by Dewberry-Goodkind to be the firm's principal environmental scientist and wetlands specialist.

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Fran Harwell broke new barriers as the first African-American woman to receive national referee certification from the U.S. Association of Track and Field. She is a kindergarten teacher at Good Intent Elementary School in Deptford.

Robert S. Highley '93 M.A. has become an associate professor of biology at Bergen Community College (BCC). Highley has been an instructor at BCC since 1993.

83

Richard Marranca, an assistant professor of English at Passaic County College and part-time professor in Montclair State's Department of Classics, has received a Fulbright scholarship to teach American literature and civilization in Munich, Germany.

Chris Petrucelli brings 19 years of corporate marketing experience to the Woodmoor Group Executive Search Firm, Monument, Colo. Petrucelli specializes in the banking and financial services industries.

Susan M. Taylor M.A. has been named principal at Wantage School. She formerly was principal at Benjamin Franklin Elementary School in Newark.

Robert M. Tull Jr. has been named principal at Willingboro High School. Previously, he served as vice principal at Atlantic City High School.

Richard G. Francesco was appointed pastor of St. Joseph Parish in West Orange.

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Thomas Lavosky, a staff member of Montclair Physical Therapy, and a certified spine care specialist, has been certified in Pilates for Rehabilitation.

Thomas Lavosky

David C. Press, a lieutenant colonel in the U.S. Army, took command of the Honolulu Engineer District, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. He has served in the armed forces for 23 years and held command positions both domestically and overseas.

85

Steven P. Nagel was named Distinguished Kiwanis Governor by the Kiwanis International Board of Trustees. Nagel is the youngest person to receive this honor.

Jennifer Goceljak was hired by First Atlantic Federal Credit Union as manager of Research and Product Development in West Long Branch.

Diane Carione was chosen by the Franklin Township Committee as director of the new Community Center.

Oliver W. Stringham M.A. was named interim superintendent for the North Arlington School District. He brings with him 22 years of experience working in the district.

86

James H. DiGiovanna M.A. was appointed superintendent of the Oceanport School District in Monmouth County.

Christine Nunn, a student at the Culinary Institute of America, has been named one of the "Top Ten Student Chefs 2002." She received the award from Chef Jacques Pepin at the *Food and Wine* Magazine Aspen Festival, where she spent the week cooking with the top 10 chefs in the country.

Joann M. O'Sullivan was named vice president and controller of the Sequa Corporation. She has been at Sequa since 1988.

Joyce Snider was named acting superintendent by the Ridgewood Board of Education. Snider has spent more than 30 years working in the Ridgewood school system, most recently as assistant superintendent.

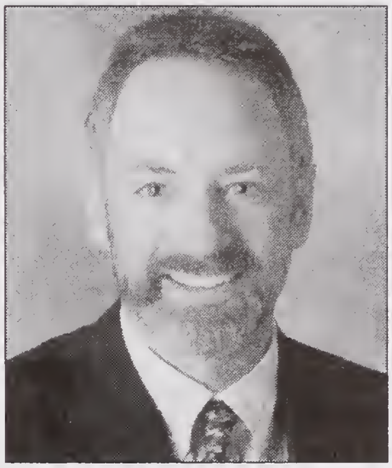
Bill Normyle has become a court researcher for Warner Brothers' "Celebrity Justice." The show airs on WNBC-New York.

87

Cheri Murphy Castellano '90 M.A. is the director of "Cop2Cop," a state-mandated counseling and support organization for New Jersey's 40,000 law enforcement officers. Since Sept. 11, Castellano has received many accolades for her counseling efforts at Ground Zero, including recognition from the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey for her contributions to rescue and recovery workers.

Karen Dellecava had a story, "Surfing Iowa," published in *Highlights for Children*.

Todd Edelson '87 M.A. had the honor of having his physical therapy practice, Montclair Physical Therapy Associates, named one of four international study sites for the post-graduate diploma in spinal mechanical therapy offered by the McKenzie Institute International of Waikanae in New Zealand. Edelson was granted the Institute's diploma in 1994 and is a member of McKenzie's faculty.



Todd Edelson

Jack Molenaar has been appointed Plainsboro's first full-time transportation planner. He will work closely with the Township Committee and the Planning and Zoning Boards on a variety of upcoming development and transportation projects. Molenaar will represent the township on transportation matters at the local, regional and national levels.

88

Carolyn Kossack was named principal of Marshall W. Errickson School in Freehold Township. She was formerly assistant principal at Eisenhower Middle School also in Freehold.

George Olsen has been appointed general auditor at Horizon Blue Cross and Blue Shield of New Jersey, leading the company's Internal Audit Department. Olsen has more than 15 years of corporate auditing experience, having worked the past seven years as a senior audit manager in the Corporate Audit Department at Prudential Financial.

89

Perry Iasiello has been promoted to vice president of Community Services at Care Plus NJ in Paramus.

Wanda Kosinski '94 M.A. presented a paper at the National College Testing Association Conference in Philadelphia, Pa. Kosinski's research, "Writing: A Cyberspace Odyssey," was a comparative study of student essays written online and scored by computer versus human expert readers.

Diana Reed, a board-certified music therapist, has taken a position at the Suburban Community Music Center as a Musikgarten teacher.

90

Thomas M. Lawless was made a partner at KPMG's New York office. He has worked for the accounting and tax firm since 1999.

John Orrick has been promoted to business analyst at Hartford Insurance's Southeast Regional Claims office in Tampa, Fla. He also will begin this fall at Stetson College of Law, where he will concentrate in civil litigation.

Alex Stecyna was promoted to senior project manager for Information Technology at the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. In May 2002, Stecyna graduated with a master's degree in science and information systems, and earned a certificate for project management from Stevens Institute of Technology of Hoboken.

91

Michael L. Francis M.A. accepted a position as environmental senior project manager with Maser Consulting, P.A., where he is responsible for the development and growth of the environmental department, managing environmental projects and client issues as well as securing environmental permits for the firm's projects.

92

Joseph P. Cahill, tenor, performed "Yesterday," a concert at Bethany Lutheran Church in Belleville featuring the music of the Beatles and other 1960s material.

Mary Beth DeLisi is a part-time staff writer for a diocesan newspaper, *The Catholic Spirit*.

Russell Meneve, a professional comedian, headlined at Dangerfield's in Manhattan.

93

Conrad Corpus has joined the Museum Company as division controller. Previously, Corpus served as the director of finance for Cablevision Electronics Investments.

Felicia M. DiRocco has been promoted to vice president of Marketing and Business Development at First Atlantic Federal Credit Union in West Long Branch.

Ruthann Quinn has been appointed as the business administrator and board secretary to the

Roxbury Township Board of Education. Previously Quinn was school business administrator for the Bloomfield Board of Education.

94

Jim Bratek is working at the Pingry School in Martinsville as Web manager and graphic designer.

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Geoffrey W. Zoeller, Jr. '95 M.A. is assistant superintendent for curriculum and instruction, and principal of the Arts, Science and Technology High School at the Salem County Vocational-Technical School in Mannington Township.

96

Jason Alders is vice president and head designer at Seed Skateboard Company, Inc., a New Jersey-based corporation that will be creating, distributing and wholesaling skateboard related products internationally.

Jason Alders

Nancy Gigante has taken on the role of assistant principal at Sparta High School. Previously, Gigante taught English at Parsippany Hills High School.

Donna Jakubik '96 M.A., '01 M.A. was named vice principal for the fifth and sixth grade at Sayerville Middle School. Previously Jakubik served as counselor then as vice principal of a junior-senior high school in Bergen County.

97

Bridget Duffy has been promoted to supervisor with the certified public accounting firm Sobel & Co., LLC in Livingston.

Gina Pappagallo Graham graduated from Seton Hall Law School in May and is an associate at Weil, Gotshal and Manges in New York.

Lester Jones M.A. was named director of Health and Human Services for the Borough of Bloomfield, where he oversees senior services, animal control, health inspections and communications.

Gennady Kupershteyn has started a day trading company in Jersey City.

98

Kevin Favreau is an adjunct professor of law at the John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York.

Kathleen McDonough was named assistant principal at Ridge High School in Bernards Township.

99

Michael Aquino, Kevin Scott Collins, Cecly Placenti, Joy Robbins Tayler '00, and Alicia Williams have begun a theatre company, Box of Crayons Productions, a theatre for hearing and deaf or hearing-impaired audiences. Their premier show was "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown."

Shelley Chu M.A. accepted a position as resource room teacher at the Middle School in the New Providence School District.

Joseph DePalma has written *College Life: The Naked Truth*. The first-time author has said his book is a student's account about how to better maximize the college education experience in and out of the classroom. In a newspaper interview, DePalma credited Montclair State professor Robert Gilbert for inspiring him to write the book.

Brenda Hudnall has been hired to teach grade eight social studies at Heritage Middle School in Livingston.

Michael Maiorana M.A. has been named director of Communication, Stores and Operations for the Philadelphia Tri-State Region for Verizon Wireless. Maiorana is a four-time winner of Verizon Wireless' President's Cabinet Award for Outstanding Sales Achievement.

Debra B. Smith, M.A. recently exhibited her monoprints, "Ordinary Phenomena," at the Gwinnett Historic Courthouse in Lawrenceville, Ga.

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Anthony Galatioto, an industrial design teacher at Fort Lee High School, along with teachers from across the country, participated in a New Jersey State Education Summer Program called "Building for Tomorrow." Fort Lee High School placed second in the robotics competition.

Catherine Kondreck was one of 200 teachers chosen nationally to receive a Fulbright Memorial Fund Fellowship to Japan. She attended workshops in Tokyo and learned about Japanese government, education and culture. During her stay, Kondreck did daily computer presentations that were transmitted to students in the Caldwell-West Caldwell School District.

Brian Maggio is teaching social studies at Ridgefield Park Junior-Senior High School. He also recevied the AOL-Time Warner Star Cable in the Classroom Award.

Courtney Beth Martin has received a master of arts in visual culture from New York University.

William Ryan has become a certified public accountant and is licensed in the State of New Jersey.

01

Gina Ferrera, a percussionist well versed in traditional western drumming techniques, performed West African Gyli music at Luna Stage Company's popular "Phases" music series in Bloomfield. Gyli (pronounced jee-lee) is performed on a mallet keyboard, part of the xylophone and marimba family of instruments.

Barbara Simtian Laudicina M.A. was named principal of Catherine E. Doyle Elementary School in Fair Lawn. She was formerly technology resource specialist for the school district.

Allison Perrine-Larena M.A. has been named executive director of the Community Theatre in Morristown. In addition to overseeing staff and more than 100 volunteers, Perrine-Larena is responsible for the business, financial and operational aspects of the organization.

Denise Vulponi, an art teacher at the Drawing Room School of Fine Arts in Mahwah, taught a decoupage workshop hosted by the Mahwah Public Library. She also teaches faux finishes and decorative floral painting for walls and furniture at Midland Park and Ramsey adult schools.

02

Amy Dawn Criscuolo has begun study at New York Law School. She is working toward a Ph.D. in psychology and plans to pursue a career in forensics.

Julie Fleming has been appointed Evening and Weekend Program coordinator in the Office of Student Activities at Montclair State University.

That's Life

David M. Goss was hired as band director by the Hawthorne Board of Education.

Ella Rue joined the State Commission of Higher Education and has been named to the New Jersey Community College Team for Tomorrow, a blue-ribbon commission assembled to ensure that the state continues to offer tuition relief for community college students.

Cathy N. Thomas currently attends the University of Texas on a full scholarship and fellowship and will be working as a graduate research assistant on a federal teacher-training grant. Her program is in the area of learning disabilities and behavioral disorders. She attributes her accomplishments to Montclair State's excellent program and the support of professor Elaine Fine.

Wendy Tiburcio has been named marketing assistant at PFS Marketwyse, an integrated advertising, marketing and production firm in Totowa.

Engagements

Susan Marie Reyes '92 to Robert Bruce Horowitz. A June 2003 wedding is planned

Mara Ileana Zotta '94 '96 M.A. to Bryant Guinazu. An October 2003 wedding is planned.

Christine D'Amato '95 to **David Salerni '95.** An August 2003 wedding is planned

Denise M. White '96 M.A. to Bruce Bailkin. An April 2004 wedding is planned.

Monica Semeniuk '99 to Mark Szczepanik. An April 2003 wedding is planned.

Amy Laposa '00 to **Michael Orlando '99.** A February 2004 wedding is planned.

Christina Clarke '01 to **Michael Nigro '00.** An August 2003 wedding is planned.

Jennifer Sandberg '01 to **Jeffrey A. Dufine '99.** A spring 2004 wedding is planned.

Marriages

Sidney Kessler '48 to Claire Welgus on Oct. 10, 2002

Warren Farrell '65 to Liz Dowling on Aug. 4, 2002

Diana Gentile '79 '83 M.A. to Gerard Occhiuzzo on June 30, 2002

Elissa Ruth Wolfson '87 M.A. to Stephen Wayne Kress on Sept. 1, 2002

Michael Schumacher '89 to Rosemary Ellen Yuhasz on Dec. 9, 2001

Hendor M. Rodriguez '90 to Janelle Marie VanLant, on Nov. 30, 2002

Gina Giancole '93 to Christopher Caputo on July 13, 2002

Timothy J. Cook '94 to Tamara L. Hagens on April 26, 2002

Stephanie Taran Jaffe '94 to Joseph Tramutolo III on June 15, 2002

Ken Kelly '94 to Brigitte Sullivan on Aug. 23, 2002

Elizabeth Greaux '95 to Ian Westhoff on Oct. 20, 2002

Lori Hittinger '95 '97 M.A. to Anthony Conte on July 7, 2002

Nicole Jennifer Telep '95 to Kevin Wolfson on Oct. 6, 2002

Linda Jean Kuharetz '96 to Daniel Patrick Stark on Oct. 14, 2001

Nicole Velba '98 to **Vinay Nayak '98** on July 20, 2002

Mike Muller '98 to Beth Struble on Aug. 10, 2002

Christine Campana '99 to Alejandro Narvaez on April 13, 2002

Lorren Magnus '99 to Gary Michael Tillett on June 1, 2002

Wedding bells... Karyn Deming Landis '00 stepped away from her groom to pose with fellow alumnae at her wedding in June. Flanking the bride (top row from left) are Jessica Leidy '00, Joy Robbins '00, Sarah Liloia '99, Karen Smith '00, Melissa Capobianco '00 and Jill Levine '97. Bottom row: Rebecca Ridgeway '01, Michelle Carregal '99, Danielle Stasik '00, Valerie Eurell '00 and Amy Harrington '00.

Karyn P. Deming '00 to Gary G. Landis on June 29, 2002

Catherine Dokachev '00 to Nicholas Kondreck on April 13, 2002

Eileen M. Tissot '00 to Thomas R. Shemon on Nov. 10, 2001

Melissa Laffey '01 to **R. Clifford Mann '01** on July 14, 2002

Susan Stabile '01 to **Michael Colella '00** on July 12, 2002

Births

To **Renee Dubicki Lake '83** and **Dennis Lake '82**, a son, Connor Jeffrey, on May 9, 2002

To **Conrad Corpus '83** and **Irene Wall '99**, a daughter, Bridget Avelina, on March 26, 2002

To **Alan Machbitz' 87** and Marlene Machbitz, a son, Lee Michael, on Jan. 22, 2002

To **William Normile '87** and Erin Normile, a daughter, Mackenzie, on May 23, 2002

To **Karen Peraino Silverman '87** and **Sam Silverman '85**, a daughter, Ava Elizabeth, on July 9, 2002

To **Nancy Frisch Evans '88** and Tom Evans, a daughter, Maggie Nicole, on Oct. 11, 2001

To **Vinny Gagliostro '88** and Laura Gagliostro, a daughter, ToniAnne, on Oct. 2, 2002

To **Kimberly Rochin Jorgensen '88** and Mark Jorgensen, a daughter, Elissa Marie, on Feb. 24, 2002

To **Mary Jo McGuire Pecoraro '88** and **Andrew F. Pecoraro '89**, a son, Andrew Stephen, on May 17, 2002

To **Lynn Preste McGinnis '90** and Thomas A. McGinnis, a son, Sean Patrick, on July 9, 2002

To **Maria Petrantonakis Serluco '90** and Tom Serluco, a son, Christopher Matthew, on July 8, 2002

To **Kathleen "Katie" LaRosa McDermott '91** and Michael McDermott, triplets, Stephanie Ann, Jill Patricia and Mairead Kathleen, on Aug. 26, 2002

To **Raoul Baptiste '92** and Adriana Baptiste, a son, Axel Raoul, on Sept. 5, 2002

To **Kara Baldwin Brennan '92** and Shawn Brennan, a son, Timothy Wallace, on March 27, 2002

To **Marisol Ramirez-Morales '93** and Peter Louis Morales, a daughter, Rosa Ariana, on April 28, 2002

To **Christine Branchfield '94** and Tim Walsh, a son, Adam Joseph, on April 9, 2002

To **Trish McGuire Lombardi '94** and Nick Lombardi, a son, Timothy Ryan, on June 24, 2002

To **Tom Naiman'94** and Angela Naiman, a daughter, Hannah Marie-Angela, on Sept. 4, 2002

To **Robert S. Stomber, Jr. '94** and Frances Stomber, a daughter, Jessica Nicole, on Sept. 15, 2002

To **Ellen Falkow Auer '95** and Jim Auer, a son, Jason Drew, on May 14, 2002

To **Joanne Connors Kalnins '95** and **Andis Kalnins '01 M.A.**, twin sons, Patrick Connor and Michael Ryan, on Dec. 17, 2001

To **Jennifer Boehm Thompson '96** and Art Thompson, a daughter, Lorelei Elisabeth, on April 18, 2002

To **Eileen Tissot Shemon '00** and Thomas Shemon, a son, Thomas Attila on May 8, 2002

Anniversaries

Ed '51 '56 M.A. and **Jean Trotta Cooper '50 '60 M.A.** celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Aug. 2, 2002. Eleven other Montclair State graduates attended their celebration.

In Memoriam

Frances Ford Greenidge '25
Gertrude Brandt Gawe '27
Kathleen O'Brien Kimble '27
Beth Durning Maher '27
Louise Ducey Rochelle '27
Regina Lynch Kennedy '34 '39 M.A.
Gertrude Winchell Forster '36
Natalie Koster Magee '41
William E. Megnin '49
Gustav G. Remppies '49
Eleanor Rippey Hulbert '50
Lucy Nardella '50 M.A.
Victor Porcelli '50
Arthur Leask '51
Louis N. Cirignano '56
Mary M. House '56 M.A.
Robert H. Verrone '59
Joan Wackenhuth Belof '61
George Hague Jr. '62 '66 M.A.
Jeannie L. Pagano Merkooloff '62 '66 M.A.
Kathleen Irons Savage '66
Peter Vanderbloom '66
Lawrence F. "Parkie" Barrett IV '69
Eileen Wurst '70
Mary Nowak Jaeger '77
Steven R. Thompson '77
Flora J. Brunson '81 M.A.
John P. Heffernan '84
Kevin J. Price Sr. '85 M.A.
Christine A. Mariniello '90
Herby Domond '93
Mark Lawson '99
Matthew C. Kowal '01
Jessie Kaufman Jacobs '32
Henry G. Zinn '38 '49 M.A.
Shirley Hookaylo Manning '64

Alumni can send information about engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births to Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu. All information must be submitted within six months of the event and include expected date of marriage for "Engagements," the wedding date for "Marriages" and the date of birth for "Births." Anniversaries in five-year increments from the 30th anniversary on will be published. All submissions must include a name and telephone number for verification.

Alumnus wins New Jersey's first Milken National Educator Award

Ask Montclair High School's Jim Aquavia '93 what sets him apart as a teacher, and after a modest pause he'll tell you that he tries to build on what students bring to the class. "I work from the assumption that they already know a great deal and know how to do a great deal. I try to connect the work of the class to their experiences."

It appears the ninth grade world literature teacher has a winning approach. He recently received New Jersey's first Milken National Educator Award.

During a ceremony at the high school that included appearances by Rosie Grier and Gov. James E. McGreevey, Aquavia became one of a select few to receive awards from the Milken Faculty Foundation, founded by Michael and Lowell Milken. The Foundation has awarded about $44 million to educators around the country. The award, presented personally by Lowell Milken, included a $25,000 check. Although it came as a complete surprise, Aquavia became a bit suspicious when the high school principal asked him to wear a sports coat to school. "That was a little peculiar," he said. "And a week earlier she had said, 'Make sure you're here next Wednesday; it's going to be a really good day.' " He described the event as "an incredible honor." Congratulatory notes from colleagues and friends fill his mailbox as he revels in the afterglow of one of his life's highlights. But after the excitement and cheers subside it's business as usual for the dedicated teacher.

Aquavia has emphasized teamwork during his nine years at Montclair High. He is quick to credit his colleagues there. "As a teacher I'm part of a great team and I've learned so much," he said.

Aquavia believes people can transform their lives through reading and literature and confesses it is one of the most important reasons he enjoys teaching. He recalled reading an Adrian Rich essay in which she quotes an unidentified philosopher: "The limits of my language are the limits of my world." He said it is an idea to which he frequently returns. He also remembers the words of Maxine Greene, who once taught at Montclair State. She impressed him with the statement, "I am who I am not yet." He found the notion moving, and strives to incorporate that sentiment into his teaching and individual growth.

~By Perry Jones '99

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I've been reading *Alumni Life* since I graduated from Montclair State Teachers College in August 1944. I found the summer 2002 issue exciting, with plans for Montclair Direct, new residence halls and a parking garage. Amazing! In addition, there were accounts of the many avenues Montclair State is using to reach out to educate people with various interests.

The college of 1941-44, the war years, was simple and homey. An excellent staff provided us with a top-quality education. We attended year round, worked on nearby farms (Clifton area) on summer afternoons and volunteered to distribute ration stamps.

Student teaching came January to March of 1944 and my first teaching job that same year was in Cape May Court House. I returned to Montclair for two weeks in the summer to take a two-credit course I needed to meet the physical education requirements. The article in the summer 2002 issue, "School fosters environmental awareness" by William Valladares took me back to my two weeks at the School of Conservation in Stokes State Forest while earning those credits.

Years later in my position as New Jersey Helping Teacher, other staff members and I, working out of the Ocean County Superintendent of Schools office, offered in-service programs for several years to stimulate interest among teachers in the need for environmental education and how to meet that need. It created much interest and was among our most successful in-service efforts.

I turned another page and there was a quote from President Susan Cole: "A compelling and growing body of research shows that the single greatest determinant of student achievement is, quite simply, teacher quality." How true that is.

Needless to say, I thoroughly enjoyed reading about Montclair and getting to know President Cole vicariously through reading about her thoughts and actions regarding education.

Carolyn M. Campbell '44
Beachwood, NJ

Carolyn Campbell, right, and her college roommate Jean Harth, class of '44 graduates, shared this photo taken in 1997 when the pair visited Russ Hall, where they lived for three years before moving to Chapin Hall. "We enjoyed roaming through the refurbished rooms in Russ," Campbell said. "It wasn't like that 60 years ago, but it was home to us." Campbell stayed in Russ Hall again in the 1950s when she returned to campus to attend a weeklong United Nations Institute.

Notes from Panzer

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Connie Gilenson Lefkowitz '39 and husband Charles recently celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. In addition, Connie had one of her stone sculptures selected to be part of the Boca Raton Museum All Florida Show. It was one of three sculptures chosen from 60 submitted to be part of the show. Congratulations! Connie would love to hear from classmates. E-mail her at aridanl@bellsouth.net.

Though Panzer College reunions are no more, a group from '52 party on. Celebrating their 50th anniversary at Chrisandis' Restaurant were **Mary Fenesy Connelly '52** and husband **Bob '52, Joe Bongiorno '52** and wife Dorothy, **Donald Czok '52** and wife Martha from Vermont, and **Eileen Jensen Marucci '52** and husband **Pete '54** from Maine. Their one wish was to have had more classmates to join them.

Robert "Bob" Argentero '53 recently enjoyed a super four days: He played golf at a 100-year-old country club, dined at the famous Oban restaurant at Niagara on the Lake and viewed the falls from the Maid of the Mist. Nice life, Bob.

Pat Zaccone '56 spent a couple of weeks with friends in Atlanta, Ga., when, on a whim, they decided to take a five-hour Riverboat cruise on the Tennessee River. She recommends the experience. Pat reports that the Georgia weather was chilly so she flew to Arizona to warm up before returning to New Jersey.

Ann Ward Jenkins '56, our world wanderer, really bounced around this year. After vacationing in Mexico, Ann flew to Alaska to attend a wedding followed by a vacation in Rome, so she could witness the Dragon Boat Races.

Linda Komenieski '80 and I attended our second annual "Giants 201" event at the Meadowlands. The evening included dinner, football skill instructions with the Giants players, a scrimmage and photo opportunity. All participants were presented with a gift bag at the end of the evening. The proceeds from this event went to My Sister's Place/ Giants' Courage House, a domestic violence shelter.

Rosemary Lamb Groszman '57, along with a group of Bergen County retired educators, enjoyed a great trip to Washington, D.C. The highlight was hearing the National Symphony Orchestra perform at the Kennedy Center. Not too long after, "Skeeter" was off and running to Pennsylvania to tour the Amish Country.

Doug Jewell '59, who resides in Silver City, N.M., is now among the retired. Doug taught for 37 years and coached for 20 years. Welcome to the good life, Doug.

Bob McLaughlin '73 was named principal of Colonia High School in the Woodbridge Township School District. Bob has also served as a teacher, coach, athletic director, vice principal, and elementary and middle school principal. Congratulations, Bob.

In Memoriam:
Garrett "Gary" Podems '59
Marvin Spiedel '49
Natalie Koster Magee '41

Remember to keep those letters coming. Send news for Notes from Panzer to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail Lois at ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Notes from Panzer" in the subject line.

Carpe DIEM

Montclair State University has adopted Turtle Back Zoo's red-tailed hawk, Clair. A ceremony celebrating the adoption took place at the West Orange Zoo when a plaque commemorating the event was unveiled. Pictured, animal keeper Kelly Lauer introduces Clair to the University's Red Hawk mascot, Rocky.

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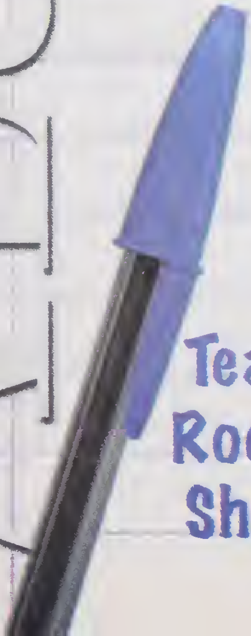

Teacher Education: Rooted in Tradition, Shaping the Future

The Inside TRACK

Susan A. Cole
President
Montclair State University

I would like to use this space to reflect on the responsibility of the University in a time of national tension, in a time of war, albeit a "small war" by the standards of the great wars of the 20th century. Perhaps you are familiar with Matthew Arnold's poem "Dover Beach," which ends with these well-known lines:

And we are here as on a darkling plain
Swept with confused alarms of struggle and flight,
Where ignorant armies clash by night.

The word that has always resonated for me in those lines is the word "ignorant." If we must be at war, if Montclair State's students, their friends and their family members must fight and perhaps die, then the University must do its best to ensure that our armies shall not be ignorant.

Education, of course, guarantees nothing about human behavior, particularly when it exists without the accompanying attributes of a moral compass.

But it is our students who will be the participants in the future political and civic processes that will or will not result in war, and it is our students who will be called upon to fight and to die.

All of us at Montclair State have a chance—in hundreds of different ways— to imbue students with the habits of critical thinking that can help them face and reason through the complex issues of contemporary life and politics.

We take seriously our responsibility to familiarize students with the practices of honesty that enable them to see themselves and others with clarity and with the virtue of humility in the face of a world so complex that we can only know a fraction of what we would ideally be called upon to know.

We have the moral imperative to provide students with an understanding of the dangers of self-righteousness; with a sense of the importance and promise that all of them carry in themselves, the opportunity that each of them represents for constructive action; and, ultimately, with a firm grasp on the reality that they live not just in New Jersey but in the whole world and the heavy responsibility they have to know something of that world.

Students like Orlando Cabrera (see story on page 13) confirm that Montclair State continues to provide the opportunity for bright and determined students to realize their potential. Orlando graduated in May and entered the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey Medical School on the United States Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship. "Montclair State pushed me to explore the world," said Orlando, whose goal is to specialize in pediatric emergency medicine, "serving my patients and my country."

You will also read about the University's history in teacher education and our commitment to educating teachers to be critical thinkers and active participants in a democratic society (see cover story on page 4).

We believe our 2,989 graduates this year are well prepared to make their own positive marks in the world. Now we get ready to welcome our centennial class, the class of 2008!

Another year has passed and we have just welcomed our newest alumni into the fold. It has been an exciting year for Montclair State and its alumni.

The online community is up and running. In its first month of operation, more than 1,300 alumni registered. If you haven't registered, come on board at www.msualumcommunity.com. This is a great opportunity to hook up with old friends and make new ones.

We also celebrated our first anniversary of establishing the Alumni Job Bank. With 430 employers registered to list jobs, the Job Bank is the place to go if you are looking to land your first job or are considering a career move. On an average day, more than 85 active full- and part-time jobs are posted.

With all these changes, I'm pleased to say that we have not forgotten our promises to past programs. To date, your generosity has raised $285,000 toward the amphitheater restoration. We're on track for raising $500,000 to complete the project. Please remain generous and help us achieve our goal.

At Alumni Weekend a number of changes were announced. The most significant is the way in which the Alumni Association and the University will work together to help Montclair State enter its second 100 years. The Alumni Association will no longer run phonation. Instead, we will develop new revenue streams for the Alumni Association that will eventually make our organization self-sustaining.

We hope you will continue to support the annual fund as you always have. Your unrestricted gift is applied toward the greatest needs of the University, or you may restrict your gift to the Alumni Association or to any department, school or program.

Beginning this summer, you will be invited to show the world a special level of alumni pride by becoming an Alumni Pride Member, an annual membership, or by becoming a Life Member. Both memberships directly fund the Alumni Association's activities including scholarships, the online Alumni Job Bank, restoration of campus landmarks, improving the Alumni House, and supporting reunions, events and programs that serve alumni.

Visit the alumni Web site to learn more about plans for Homecoming '04. Thanks to MSUAA Board members Jim Wassel '73 and Dave Handal '86, and SGA President Jacob Hudnut, we are working with students to make Homecoming a true University event.

Working together, we will help Montclair State grow better, stronger and more beautiful as it celebrates its centennial and moves toward the next 100 years.

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
President
Alumni Association

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Safe Return

The following Montclair State students are serving in Iraq and other places. We wish for them a safe and speedy return home.

Michael Alexander
Nana Birikorang
Claudia Branco
Trecian Brown
David Cuomo
Patrick Del Valle
Nakita Desai
Leandro Enriques
Bridget Fitzsimmons
Angel Gonzalez
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Our thoughts also are with the family of student **Simeon Hunte**, who was killed in Iraq.

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'Critically Thinking' Ahead

Teacher Preparation and the Next 100 Years

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE '75

Montclair State—a teachers college. This familiar phrase, perhaps more than any other statement, captured the identity of Montclair State for many years. Now a comprehensive university—the second largest and fastest growing in New Jersey with more than 250 majors, minors and concentrations, and more than 15,000 students studying everything from environmental management to broadcasting and business management—Montclair State long ago shed its teachers college identification. It has not, however, forgotten its roots and obligation to the citizens of New Jersey and, now, in the midst of unprecedented growth and a spectrum of challenges and changes in the field of education, the University is committed to preparing the next generation of teachers.

As it approaches its 100-year anniversary in 2008, Montclair State indeed has reflected on its traditions, core values and strategy to invest in its leadership role for teacher development.

The grand wisdom that lies at the heart of teacher education programs is the concept of critical thinking. It is a process that involves reflection; stepping back to critically re-examine beliefs, information and assumptions in order to achieve new insights, unmask underlying connections, assign values and priorities, and ultimately make informed judgments about issues in and out of the classroom. The cornerstone supporting this inquiry is a diverse, democratic society. But this method of enlightenment also includes a re-examination of the education covenant itself and the participants; analyzing the relationship between teacher and student as provider and consumer of knowledge in order to decipher the process of learning.

Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services, defined teaching for critical thinking as an essential part of teachers' responsibilities. "Teachers must prepare their students to be active participants in a democratic society," she said. "This entails teaching students to use critical thinking to make judgments to the benefit of themselves and society. It also means educating teachers who can understand and appreciate the different ways students learn.

"We must prepare teachers who can work with *all* students," she added. "There can be no underclass, otherwise our democratic society will be at risk. Schools have a great potential to be instruments for social justice. But our teachers need to understand their role in achieving that. We must educate our teachers in pedagogy (the art and science of teaching) to examine how people learn."

Cutler described New Jersey as a prime example of an increasingly diverse society. "Thomas Jefferson wrote about the importance of education in a democratic society. This has always been an imperative, but there is an even greater need today," she said.

When Frank Alvarez '76, superintendent of the Montclair public school system, evaluates teaching candidates, along with reviewing their knowledge base and communication skills, he focuses on the ability of a teacher to engage students in critical thinking.

"Critical thinking involves ways a teacher can help students to raise important questions, explore issues more deeply and, ultimately, be better students and citizens,"

Azure Diggs '02 M.A. works through a writing assignment with a Montclair second grader.

he said. "Critical thinking involves understanding the principles and responsibilities of a democracy and what it means to live in a multicultural society, especially here in New Jersey. It helps students make connections with the things they learn and empowers them to ask better questions."

Alvarez, who previously served as superintendent of schools for North Caldwell and River Vale, stressed the importance of conveying the message of inclusiveness as a key part of critical thinking.

"As teachers, we are re-examining how we meet the needs of all students and how we deal with a wide range of abilities and issues in the classroom," he said. "Because of the complexity of our world, we need to become more accepting of the differences among us in our society. Today we are reaching a critical mass. Good teachers have always wanted to broaden a student's ability to think critically. Due to the changes taking place in our society, there is a greater sense of urgency in the area of critical thinking."

The critical thinking movement in education began in the mid-1980s, with MSU in the vanguard, according to Robert Pines, the first director of Teacher Education at Montclair State. That office, founded in 1987, evolved into the University's Center of Pedagogy, established in 1995 as the first of its kind in the nation.

"When I came to Montclair State in 1970, the teacher education program had little of the innovative character it has today," Pines said. He recalled that 34 years ago, the principal strength at the University was in the liberal arts and disciplinary traditions of the institution, "but it was campus bound, decentralized, and lacking any significant relationship with (public) schools."

Pines said two developments in 1985 created a blueprint for the current program. The first was a grant from then N.J. Gov. Thomas Kean, which established an Institute for Critical Thinking on campus; the second was that Nicholas Michelli, then dean of the College of Education and Human Services, centralized the administration of the Teacher Education program into a new Office of Teacher Education, which he asked Pines to direct.

"The work of the institute inspired the decision to adopt critical thinking as a

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Professor recognized for groundbreaking research

Ana Maria Villegas, a professor in the Department of Curriculum and Teaching, has been awarded the Margaret B. Lindsey Award for Distinguished Research in Teacher Education by the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AACTE).

Sponsored by the AACTE Committee on Publications and the *Journal of Teacher Education*, the award recognizes an individual whose research over the last decade has made a major impact on the field of teacher education.

"Professor Villegas's groundbreaking research on increasing the diversity of America's teaching force is particularly important because it has influenced national policy and practice," said MSU President Susan A. Cole.

"Preparing teachers to teach a changing student population is one of the most urgent issues in education today," Villegas said. "It is significant that the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education is recognizing work that focuses on this critical topic."

For more than 20 years Villegas has studied critical issues concerning diversity in teacher education. Her work has ranged in focus from the educational needs of students with limited English proficiency to recruiting and preparing non-traditional teacher candidates of color to preparing culturally responsive teachers. She has conducted studies of culturally responsive teaching, policies and practices in the education of immigrant students, effective instructional practices in bilingual classrooms, increasing the diversity of the teaching force and strategies for transforming teacher education for diversity.

Her work has received national recognition. In 1992 the Educational Testing Service honored her with its Research Scientist Award. In 1993 she was named Minority Scholar by the University of Wisconsin, Madison. In 1994 she received the Early Career Award from the American Educational Research Association (AERA), Committee on the Role and Status of Minorities in Research and Development. In March 2003 she was chosen as Distinguished Visiting Professor by the doctoral faculty in the Educational Leadership Program at Johnson & Wales University. She recently was named general program chair for the 2005 AERA annual meeting.

Villegas has a Ph.D. in curriculum and teaching from New York University. Prior to joining Montclair State in 1996, she was a senior research scientist with the Division of Education Policy Research of Educational Testing Service, a position she held for seven years.

Critically Thinking

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thematic element in teacher education," Pines said.

The leading edge for critical thinking today at MSU is the doctoral program in pedagogy, which this year celebrates its first four graduates. Cindy Onore, director of the program, which was founded five years ago, hailed it as unique in the country—a research-based field of study for existing education practitioners.

The doctoral program as described by Onore is an "applied program grounded in the everyday experience of education, equity and diversity." The program is organized around four foundational elements: the relationship between education and democracy; providing all learners with access to knowledge; nurturing pedagogy, meaning the underlying philosophies that support a creative community of learners; and stewardship to apply and develop "best practices" in the field of education. It has two specialization areas: mathematics education and Philosophy for Children.

The short-term goal for the program is to develop a new field of specialization. Areas under consideration are teacher leadership for change and science education.

Jennifer Robinson, director of the Center of Pedagogy, amplified on the four foundational elements with one addition: teaching for social justice.

"Part of understanding our responsibilities in the relationship between education and democracy is to encourage students to function in a democracy—politically and socially," Robinson said, adding that teachers must help students become agents for change.

In 1996 and 1997, Robinson participated in the Institute for Educational Inquiry, the landmark group based in Seattle affiliated with the University of Washington and founded by renowned educator John Goodlad. Robinson took part in the institute's national Leadership Associates Program, a professional experience designed to enhance the leadership abilities of those responsible for teacher education.

Robinson pointed out that nearly a dozen individuals from MSU have participated in the Leadership Associates Program at the national level since 1991. The local Leadership Associates Program, in its seventh year at MSU, is led by Tina Jacobowitz, Onore and David Keiser.

It was during her experience in Seattle that Robinson came to fully appreciate the principles of the Agenda for Education in a Democracy. Those principles, she said, involve "simultaneous renewal" for schools and teacher education programs—ongoing, interactive professional development activities that foster change and new ideas in teacher education by utilizing feedback from partnerships between universities and state public school districts.

Through its partnerships with schools that are part of the New Jersey Network for Educational Renewal (NJNER), Montclair State plays an important role in the school and teacher education renewal movement. As a member of the National Network for Educational renewal, NJNER teachers have an opportunity to participate in national conferences and workshops.

Senior Arthur McMahon explains how circuits work to a curious Clifton second grader.

Philosophy for Children

One area of Montclair State University's leadership in the education of young children is in the Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children (IAPC). Founded in 1974 by Matt Lipman, a professor emeritus, the institute—the first of its kind in the field of education—supports the doctoral program in the Center of Pedagogy.

Lipman authored a series of books 30 years ago based on the notion that Philosophy for Children could be done within "a community of inquiry." It acknowledged children, with their inherent sense of wonder and thirst for understanding, as being naturally receptive to philosophical thought and instruction.

The Philosophy for Children program has since gone global, having spawned nearly 50 centers in 40 countries, all of which use curriculum developed at MSU. One outgrowth of this movement is a global organization: the International Council for Philosophical Inquiry with Children, formed in 1985.

IAPC Director Maughn Gregory noted that critical thinking is at the core of the program. Gregory said philosophical instruction helps children organize their experiences and formulate thoughts about the meaning of abstract concepts such as beauty and justice, as well as more practical issues, such as fairness on the playground.

To learn more about the IAPC, go to http://cehs.montclair.edu/academic/iapc.

The College of Education and Human Services also is committed to the recruitment of minority teacher candidates and, in 1998, funded the Teacher Education Advocacy Center (TEAC) as part of the Center of Pedagogy.

"The retention of minority students—enlisting them in the mission of becoming and remaining teachers—represents the most critical focus area for TEAC," said Robinson. "Universities like Montclair State need to consider their environment, academically, socially and culturally, as places to attract and retain teacher candidates from all backgrounds."

When considering the goals for pedagogy at MSU, the infrastructure to pursue those goals literally is under construction. The new academic building—now rising adjacent to Dickson Hall—will serve as the foundation for the growth of the College of Education and Human Services, including the ADP Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies. In addition to uniting the various resources in the College, the ADP Center will feature three "classrooms of the future," a high-tech curriculum resource center and an instructional technology design lab. "This will be a lighthouse for preparing teachers to use technology to enhance learning," Cutler said.

With New Jersey facing a critical shortage of high-quality teachers, the new academic building at Montclair State will enable the University to double the number of teachers it graduates each year. The goal is 600 teachers a year by 2008—a level that may be achieved as soon as 2006 with an anticipated 450 graduates this year.

Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services

For Cutler, the much-needed building will house a teacher education program that has always been in the forefront. "When we move into our new building in 2005, we will have a facility that mirrors the excellence of our programs."

College High's enduring legacy

The origins of critical thinking and pedagogy at Montclair State can be traced to the legacy of College High, which was located in what is today Morehead Hall. College High was founded in the 1930s as a demonstration school, where professors taught high school students while Montclair undergraduates—prospective teachers—observed.

College High, which closed in the early 1970s, provided student teachers with the opportunity to observe teaching methods. Some compared this "life research" with internships in hospitals, where teacher candidates, much like young doctors, "made their rounds" to study various classrooms and absorb the dynamics and nuances of the teaching experience.

Maria Schantz '60 M.A. recalled that the innovative approach to developing teachers through the College High experience helped to earn the University the moniker of "Harvard on the Hill" for teachers colleges.

"It was very progressive for the times," Schantz said. "I think College High represented the leadership role that Montclair State had as a teachers college."

Schantz, who taught at Montclair State for 38 years and served as director of the Reading Center before retiring in 2002, called College High a model for today's charter schools, which, in recent years, have grown as education alternatives in many New Jersey school districts.

A youthful approach to learning

Instruction for young children represents a key focus area for Montclair State's ongoing commitment to teacher education. One example of how the University addresses emerging needs is the Department of Early Childhood, Elementary and Literacy Education (ECELE). The program admits 115 undergraduate and 50 graduate students per semester.

"We were not adequately addressing needs in elementary or early childhood education," said Department Chair Nancy Lauter.

In the late 1990s, MSU's Center of Pedagogy formed a task force to address the need to focus on children (infants to age 12) in educational settings. As a result, the Department of ECELE was launched.

Lauter explained that some of the current issues for early childhood and elementary educators focus on inclusion in the classroom. She said that teachers today must be prepared to work with young children with special needs and disabilities, varied learning styles and children who are learning English as a second language.

Future early childhood educators also will have access to a state-of-the-art learning laboratory on campus when the Children's Center at Montclair State opens. Ground was broken in May for the 24,000-square-foot facility that will house children from the existing Child Care Center, the Demonstration Program and the Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program. As it unites these programs, the Children's Center will become a national model for inclusive early childhood education.

The programs it will house already serve as learning laboratories for MSU students in early childhood education, special education, speech-language pathology and music, physical or occupational therapy. The new building will allow the University to extend those invaluable experiences to a far greater number of students.

To learn more about giving opportunities to the Children's Center, call 973-655-5454.

A "Tree" Blossoms at Montclair State

Joan Egner Crew and Theresa S. David were strangers to each other when they entered Montclair State Teachers College in 1941, but they left in 1946 the best of friends, ready to take on the challenges of a teaching career. David, one of the first African-Americans to be offered a teaching position in the Newark public schools, passed away in March, leaving behind a friend who recalls the lessons David taught her about courage the year they spent together studying in Mexico. This is Crew's story:

Theresa S. David, "Tree" as she was known, was a unique woman. We met in the fall of 1941 as we arrived at Montclair State Teachers College (MSTC) to begin our studies in foreign language. We had chosen MSTC because of its established program of foreign study, but World War II dashed our hopes of participating. That semester the last of the students returned from France, Peru and Argentina, and the program in foreign studies was discontinued. Tree became the first student to major in Spanish and its history, and the Language Department was pleased to have her. Those of us majoring in French were advised to minor in Spanish as the duration and outcome of the war were unknown. With a good part of France under German occupation, there was the possibility that French would become a dead language as far as schools in the United States were concerned.

In the fall of 1943, four of us were selected to spend a year at the National University in Mexico City. Tree was awarded the Margaret B. Holz Scholarship, named after the visionary professor and Language Department chair who set up the exchange program. Under her leadership, students had studied in France, Germany, Spain and South America throughout the 1930s. Other members of the group were Jean Fineman, Jo Cavaliere and myself. In an era before student loans, we had to raise funds, as MSTC could promise us no more than the tuition.

In those days, few preparations for our year abroad were made. Letters were mailed to the UNA de Mexico, but in wartime delivery was not guaranteed. We were to show up at the University and enroll. A letter had been written to the YWCA in Mexico City requesting that we be permitted to live there until we could find families to stay with.

We traveled as cheaply as possible. Rail travel was expensive and air travel unavailable. The bus ticket was $80 round trip.

Joan Egner Crew

Theresa S. David

On Monday, Feb. 7, 1944, we set out from Penn Station in Newark. I remember it well because I was carrying a small chocolate cake to celebrate my birthday the next day in Pittsburgh (the first leg of our trip). We would stop for one night in St. Louis. They booked rooms for us in a hotel there, but special arrangements had to be made for our African-American friend. The pastor of Tree's church arranged for her to spend the night with a black family in St. Louis. Jo, Jean and I were vaguely aware of segregation practices in the South at that time, but having grown up in New Jersey and gone through school with black classmates all our lives, we didn't give it much thought. We were about to experiences the terrible truth.

In the bus station in Pittsburgh, we headed for a table in the coffee shop to have a bite to eat and enjoy my birthday cake. A waitress approached and told Tree to leave. They would not serve her. Shaken, we left with her and ate the cake on a bench outside.

When we boarded the bus for St. Louis, I sat down with Tree. When the driver told Tree to move, I got out of my seat and started to go with her toward the rear of the bus. I can still hear the driver's voice: "If you go back there with her, I'll throw you both out." Tree reached over, touched my arm and said, "It's OK." I still marvel at her courage. At Tulsa and Dallas, the situation was the same.

After four days, we reached the border at Laredo, Texas. We walked over the international bridge together and found the bus station. We were on Mexican soil and decided to try our luck. Tree and I sat together again about two rows behind the driver. He climbed into his seat, started the engine and we were on our way. Things were looking up.

The YWCA never received the letter, but took us in. After about six weeks, and with the help of a sympathetic Mexican family, we managed to find host families. We registered at the School of Philosophy and Letters, selected our courses and began our year of study.

Our year was remarkable. We were the only American students at Filosofia y Letras and we formed many friendships. In a small railroad station in Uruapan on a trip to the volcano Paricutin, we were approached by an Indian woman. She held out her hand to beg. We offered few coins and entered into conversation. We told her we were American students. She inquired as to whether we were sisters. She was so serious we dared not laugh. When we told her we weren't, she commented, "Well then, you must be cousins." (In Mexico at that time young women would not travel without a chaperon or a relative.)

During our year of study we traveled to small cities and smaller villages. After our return, we completed our studies at MSTC, set out on teaching careers and remained good friends. In the welcoming environment of Mexico, with the interests we had in common, our friendship was born and prospered. The experiences we shared remain vivid to this day. We were always grateful to MSTC for giving us this opportunity. For us, it wasn't just the thrill of studying and living in a foreign society. We came away with a friendship that changed both of us forever.

Student Makes Her Mark in Fashion World

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

Marie Claudinette Jean is one of the fashion industry's up and coming designers. While her company, Fusha Designs, Inc. has been operating since 2000, it was Jean's fall 2004 collection that made a splash on the runways during February's Fashion Week in New York City. To know Jean's style is to know her—her Haitian background, her 10-year marriage to performer/producer Wyclef Jean and her dedication to her studies at Montclair State University.

Jean's designs combine her love of 18th century fashions and the aristocratic flamboyance and elegance from that historical period with her inherent modern sensibility. Although industry insiders have been quick to characterize her clothing as having a Haitian influence, Jean doesn't see it that way, though she does admit her background plays a role in her technical ability. "Everybody in my family knows how to sew," she said. "It's in my blood." However, being raised and going to school in New Jersey has had a greater effect. "I was raised here and study here," she said. "But I do use a lot of beautiful colors most [American] designers would not touch but that work in a hot climate. That is what I pull from my country."

Jean maintains a heavy West Indies accent, but considers herself a "Jersey girl," having lived in the state since she was seven. She was named after Haitian beauty queen Claudinette Fushard. The story, she's been told, is that "Fushard was beautiful and my father had a crush on her so my parents named me after her. Actually, my father named me after her. I don't know how my mother let that go," she said with a laugh.

Her company's name pays homage to her namesake with a twist. She toiled over the moniker before deciding on Fusha (pronounced foo-sha). "I wanted to keep it unique and French and unisex but familiar, like the color," she explained.

Jean didn't develop her passion for fashion until well after she entered college. In fact, when she began her studies at Montclair State, she wanted to become a doctor. "I had visions of becoming an obstetrician," she recalled. After three years of pre-med classes, she began fieldwork and quickly realized a career in medicine was not for her.

It didn't take long for Jean to figure out what she really wanted to do. "I always had that love for fashion in me," she said. After looking at MSU's program in fashion studies, Jean decided to stay in her familiar surroundings. But there was another delay in her path to earning a degree: she married Wyclef Jean, the famous musician and producer. During the next five years she began focusing on being a designer and started her business in the basement of her home. "It grew so large, my husband told me I had to get out," she recalled with a chuckle.

That's when Jean took the biggest leap of her career and headed straight for Seventh Avenue in Manhattan. "I started my own company because it's the highest you can go. It's challenging and it's something I always wanted to do," she said. "I wanted to create clothing that is incredibly different for women."

To start a business with no experience and just seven employees was a daunting task; yet Jean put her nerves aside and faced it head on. "You know what? I was nervous when I first came to Montclair State. I was nervous when I first entered the fashion industry and I was a nervous wreck when I did a runway show in Bryant Park," she said. "But at the end of the day, I'm the kind of person who always wants to take that risk, especially when deep inside I feel that it will work. I'm always nervous, but at the same time I believe you have to go with that instinct. When it speaks to you, you've got to make a move."

And moving she has been, garnering attention and praise from the fashion industry

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Education + Networking = Success

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

Four alumni working in the entertainment business returned to their roots for a panel discussion as part of TheatreFest's Conversations Series' Alumni in the Arts.

Joy Trapani '90, a producer for the "Rosie O'Donnell Show" and the Tony Awards; Gerry McIntyre '84, actor, director and choreographer in theater, film and television; Tom Leonardis '86, president of Whoopi Goldberg's Whoop, Inc., and Charles Bodner '85, senior agent, Bauman, Redanty and Shaul took the stage to recount their experiences at Montclair State and offer advice to those pursuing a career in entertainment.

The formula among the panelists was clear: schooling plus networking equals success. "The most valuable thing I got from MSU was not only the courses but the internships," explained Bodner. "With the close proximity to New York City I was able to work in my chosen field which was invaluable."

Bodner found a niche as an agent and says he loves what he does. "The possibility of finding talented people, signing them and getting them work—watching them blossom—is what I enjoy most about my job."

His advice to students was to meet as many professionals in the business as possible because it's "all about the networking." Even building connections with the people on campus can be beneficial in the future, the group pointed out. "My advice is be nice to everyone," said Trapani. "You never know who they are and who they'll become someday."

While the panel agreed there is a fine line between networking and over-selling, McIntyre said the best thing to do is "be genuine and honest. They call me the 'mayor of Broadway.' I just make myself available and treat everyone with respect."

Trapani, who came to Montclair State as a transfer student from Staten Island College, thought she was going to write Broadway musicals but when she auditioned for a production on campus, she decided to be a performer. After a stint as a singing waitress on the Spirit of New Jersey cruise line, Trapani took a job as a receptionist for McIntyre's agent. "I decided to be smart and learn about the business," she explained. "I started to like what I was doing and soon I wanted to become an agent. As a manager, I got people in the Broadway production of 'Grease' and I got to know Rosie O'Donnell. Nobody gets to go from being a manager to a producer on the 'Rosie O'Donnell Show.' I'm lucky it worked out."

Seated, from left: Gerry McIntyre '84, actor, director and choreographer in theater, film and television; Joy Trapani '90, a producer for the "Rosie O'Donnell Show" and the Tony Awards; and Tom Leonardis '86, president of Whoopi Goldberg's Whoop, Inc. Standing: Geoffrey Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, and Charles Bodner '85, senior agent, Bauman, Redanty and Shaul.

All the panelists agreed that it was their time at Montclair State that truly prepared them for their future endeavors. "It couldn't have happened without MSU," said Leonardis, who is enjoying a lucrative career as Goldberg's producing partner. (Goldberg was on campus in February to conduct a masterclass with acting students. As a result, junior theater major Malachy Orozco landed a role on Goldberg's NBC sitcom, "Whoopie," in an episode called "The Squatter.") The two are in various stages of production and active development of film and television projects. Leonardis previously worked as a producer on "The Suzanne Somers Show" and "The Marilu Henner Show," and as a talent coordinator for "The Arsenio Hall Show," "Into the Night with Rick Dees" and E! Entertainment Television. He currently produces "Whoopi."

"Everything I learned I got from Montclair State," concurred McIntyre, who upon graduation moved to New York and began his professional acting career, which has spanned the mediums of Broadway, television and movies. His credits include "Anything Goes," "Once on This Island" and "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat" on the Great White Way, and TV appearances on "The Jamie Foxx Show," "The Pretender," "Designing Women" and "NYPD Blue" among others.

"What we get here are the tools to take with us. Don't discount what you learn in the classroom," said Trapani. "The networking is important but you've got to learn the skills."

Eric Diamond, chair of the Dance and Theatre Department, said, "All four are wonderful role models for our students. We can be proud that MSU played an important part in helping them get started on their exciting careers."

Healing Through Art in South Africa

BY WILLIAM VALLADARES

When Chinese government official and scholar Ts'ai Lun ground up mulberry bark, linen and hemp, made wet mush of the fibers, then spread it out on a mat of coarse cloth and bamboo frame 2,000 years ago, he gave the world its first recorded gift of paper. Today South African artist Kim Berman is using the art of papermaking to bring the world another gift—positive social change.

This summer Patty Piroh of the Department of Broadcasting and Eileen Foti of the Department of Art and Design will travel to Johannesburg, South Africa to document that social change through the programs set up by Berman. Their project will be a one-hour documentary that shows how art practices are being used to address issues of poverty, illiteracy and the AIDS crisis in provinces throughout South Africa.

"Kim's creation of the Artist Proof Studio in Johannesburg, and the poverty relief papermaking and embroidery projects throughout nine rural South African provinces are particularly important because in South Africa, as well as in this country, art is often seen as expendable, as one of the first things to go when budgets are cut," said Piroh. "Yet through the use of art, we find a unique and surprising way to help people."

Piroh and Foti will interview Berman, the art/AIDS awareness trainers and women from impoverished communities who have been positively affected by her initiatives.

"Through their words and faces, we will see the true impact of what Kim and art have done for them," said Piroh. "We'll see how art contributes more to our world than ever imagined before. Besides the traditional view of art simply enriching our lives, we will find how there are also humanitarian uses, extraordinary social, psychological and economic advantages, and cross-cultural communication benefits as well."

Berman's initiatives have impacted impoverished communities by creating more than 450 jobs and providing HIV/AIDS awareness counselors on site.

"This is less about making paper and more about empowering the people," said Foti, who has made several visits to the Artist Proof Studio since 1997.

Active in the apartheid movement in Africa for years, Berman came to the United States to study printmaking in Boston to earn an M.F.A., and the day Nelson Mandela was released from prison was the day she went back. Before returning to Africa she sold all her possessions and took her tool etching press back with her, hoping to start a community-based workshop where talented, impoverished black artists in the township and the surrounding provinces who otherwise would not have a chance could study art. "They not only learn about art, how to teach and how to become printers," Foti said, "but they also learn literacy, business and computer skills. So in reality Kim has given people an opportunity to earn a living in the arts."

Piroh got the idea of co-producing a documentary with Foti when she attended one of Foti's papermaking classes at which a visiting artist from South Africa and a member of the artists group Berman founded 10 years ago did a presentation. "When the artist was talking I started hearing what the documentary would sound like, with the papermaking and the water dripping," said Piroh. "It just seemed like it was something that needed to be done."

The project originally was scheduled for last year, but while Piroh and Foti were preparing to leave, the Artist Proof Studio burned to the ground, killing cofounder Nhlanhla Xaba. "This was all the more reason I felt we should go there to tell the story," said Foti.

The pair hopes to air the documentary on or near World AIDS Day in December on Comcast of Northern New Jersey and Cablevision, reaching a half million homes. Possible additional outlets include New Jersey Network/PBS and Thirteen. They are also exploring the possibility of producing companion material for schools and libraries.

Patty Piroh of the Department of Broadcasting and Eileen Foti of the Department of Art and Design.

NASA Calls on Expertise of Pair from Earth and Environmental Studies

NASA has recognized the expertise of two professors in Earth and Environmental Studies (EAES) by choosing them as principal investigators on two major environmental projects.

Mark Chopping is working on NASA's Earth Science Enterprise program, which will use data from NASA's Earth Observation System (EOS) satellites to map carbon pools in the southwestern United States, while Yuan Gao will investigate natural iron fertilization in the ocean and its impacts on ocean nitrogen fixation and carbon cycles. The latter project is sponsored by NASA's EOS Interdisciplinary Science Program and involves scientists from Rutgers, Princeton, MIT and NASA.

Chopping uses a field spectrometer in the Chihuahuan Desert in New Mexico.

With an award of more than $500,000, Chopping's project will last three years and most of the work will be carried out in the department's well-equipped Remote Sensing Laboratory. His proposal was one of 192 selected from 566 submitted. Chopping also has been appointed to the Multiangle Imaging SpectroRadiometer (MISR) Science Team. The data to be used are from the MISR and MODerate resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) sensors on the Terra and Aqua satellites.

Mark Chopping

Chopping will collaborate with scientists Albert Rango and Debra P.C. Peters at the USDA/ARS Jornada Experimental Range in Las Cruces, N.M.; John Martonchik at NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in Pasadena, Calif.; and William J. Parton at the Natural Resource Ecology Laboratory/Colorado State University in Fort Collins, Colo. A full-time post-doctoral fellow will be selected to work with Chopping in the Remote Sensing Laboratory, with opportunities for graduate students to contribute to the project.

"The research proposal was inspired by the need to better exploit new multi-angle sensing techniques; looking at the Earth's surface from a range of different vantage points provides unique information not available to sensors that look straight down," said Chopping.

The research is driven in part by the observation that desert grasslands throughout the southwestern United States have experienced a dramatic increase in shrub abundances since the end of the 19th century, altering distribution of carbon pools.

"The arid southwest provides an excellent subject for the development of remote sensing and modeling methods that will be useful in other arid regions and at global scales," Chopping said.

Prior to coming to Montclair State in September 2002, Chopping worked for the USDA Agricultural Research Service in Maryland and New Mexico, and has been working on remote sensing of arid and semi-arid environments in the United States and in Inner Mongolia for more than 10 years.

Gao's three-year project, with a budget of $900,000, is a continuation of a prior three-year project of which she also served as principal investigator. Her proposal was one of 59 selected from 348 submitted. The efforts involve extensive use of NASA's new satellite products from MODIS, SeaWiFS and TRMM, and integration of satellites, fields, laboratories and the coupled atmosphere-ocean modeling components.

Yuan Gao

In this project, Gao will collaborate with Paul Falkowski of Rutgers, Yoram Kaufaman of NASA, Daniel Sigman of Princeton and Michael Follows of MIT.

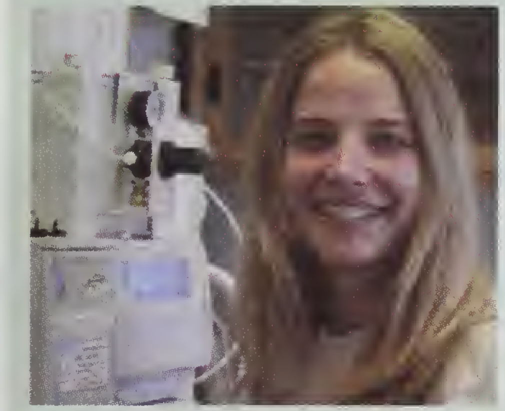
"Our series of investigations is driven by the idea that aeolian dust is an important source of iron, a micro-nutrient critical to marine phytoplankton growth in the surface ocean, and the aeolian iron fertilization in the ocean could significantly affect ocean nitrogen fixation and global carbon cycles," Gao said." The ultimate goal of this study, including the existing, new and future individual projects, is to advance the understanding of the land-atmosphere-ocean biosphere interactions and their implications for the global carbon cycles and climate change."

...And back on earth

Stephanie Brachfeld of the Department of Earth and Environmental Studies received $29,937 from the National Science Foundation (NSF) to test the feasibility of using magnetic materials to trace sources and sediment transport pathways and processes in the Southern Ocean.

She received an additional $9,676 from the NSF to fund a cooperative project between scientists in the United States and France to develop records of past geomagnetic field behavior from high southern latitudes. Read more about Brachfield's research in the next issue of *Alumni Life*.

Fellowship allows grad student to get feet wet in real-world research



Jennifer Haag, a first-year graduate student in Earth and Environmental Studies, has won a Graduate Research Fellowship from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA). The $28,572 award will allow Haag to investigate atmospheric nitrogen deposition and its impact on coastal eutrophication, focusing on the Mullica River—Great Bay ecosystem located near the Jacques Cousteau Reserve in the southern part of the state. The Mullica River is one of the estuaries that is part of the NOAA program.

"I came across this type of work one day when my adviser, Dr. Yaun Gao [of Earth and Environmental Studies] explained the concepts behind nitrogen deposition and how it's playing a role in degrading coastal waters," said Haag, who holds a bachelor's degree in marine biology from the University of Rhode Island. She explained that nitrogen is released into the air by fossil fuel combustion, fertilizers and industrial emissions. "This atmospheric nitrogen is then deposited into the coastal waters by precipitation or aerosol particles. The increase in nitrogen in the water increases primary production causing, for instance, algal blooms."

"This fellowship will allow Jennifer to experience the real-world challenge while still in school, giving her the opportunity to integrate research with her education," Gao said.

"I'm excited for the opportunity to conduct this research, which will be useful in understanding the cause of eutrophication in estuaries and in developing the nutrient budgets to help manage these coastal resources," said Haag.

The project begins this summer and will last two years.

Grad's Goal: Serve Country and Patients

BY WILLIAM VALLADARES

In high school, while most of his friends were enjoying their lives, Orlando Cabrera was out saving them.

Cabrera began volunteering as an emergency medical technician (EMT) at age 14 after his best friend's father, an EMT for the Plainfield Rescue Squad, convinced him to get involved. Cabrera still recalls the evening of Nov. 21, 1998 and the life-altering event that pointed him toward his vocation in life.

"We responded to a call that a woman delivered a baby on the street and abandoned it in a garbage bag," he said. "We took care of the baby and he turned out to be fine. Being an EMT that night made me decide to become a doctor."

When he wasn't cruising around in an ambulance, Cabrera maintained an "A" average at Plainfield High School, ran the 400-meter dash and played soccer. He was accepted to Montclair State on a Presidential Scholars Award Scholarship and this year earned the inaugural President's Carpe Diem Award. Enrolled in the Health Careers Programs, he also was inducted into the Golden Key International Honor Society and is a member of the National Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi.

A few weeks after graduation in May, Cabrera entered the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) Medical School under the eight-year B.S./M.D. articulation agreement between Montclair State and UMDNJ, on a United States Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship.

"I've heard that Navy medicine is the best in the world and I was attracted to the leadership attributes of a naval officer," said Cabrera, who will be promoted to lieutenant when he joins the medical corps after he earns a medical degree and completes his military training. "In my dual role as a health care provider and as a naval officer, my main responsibilities will be to serve my patients and my country."

A biology major with a chemistry minor, Cabrera plans to specialize in pediatric emergency medicine. "While I'm in the service I'll treat families of soldiers, then focus on children," he said.

Cabrera's unswerving commitment to service and hard work, with some time left over to enjoy himself, made him a student leader on campus. Cabrera served as legislator, executive vice president and president pro tempore of the Student Government Association (SGA), volunteered with MSU Emergency Medical Services, serving as a crew chief and vice president, was a member of the Student Advisory Committee of Higher Education-Student Assistance Authority, is a building supervisor with Campus Recreation and played intramural softball and soccer.

"Montclair State pushed me to explore the world," he said. "Through the SGA and in class I learned about perspectives we as Americans don't get unless we reach out to meet international students to get their perspectives. My experiences at Montclair State have taught me to accept and appreciate people's differences. The University also pushed my personal limits and helped me develop my leadership skills."

CAMPUS NEWS

MSU offers New Jersey's first master of arts in child advocacy

Montclair State University will offer a master of arts in child advocacy in the fall, making it the first academic degree of its kind in the state and possibly the nation. The program, approved in May by the New Jersey State Presidents' Council, will provide an applied course of study in the emerging field of child advocacy, examining issues from the disciplines of psychology, sociology and law. The new M.A. also offers an optional concentration in public child welfare for professionals who want to work exclusively within the child welfare system.

"Until now, the master of social work was the preferred degree for working within the public child welfare system," said Robert McCormick, director of Montclair State's Center for Child Advocacy. "However, over the past decade, as more social workers obtain state licensure and go into private practice, the curricula for social workers at many universities seem to reflect the shift of working with a different type of client rather than within the public child welfare system.

"Child advocacy, at a minimum, requires knowledge of child development, language acquisition, children's cognition and memory, law and forensics, sociology and social work," he added. "Our program provides this in a curriculum specifically developed to meet the needs of professionals working in child welfare and within the broader context of child advocacy."

McCormick explained that Montclair State's M.A. in Child Advocacy will offer students field experience working in the state's Division of Youth and Family Services (DYFS), child advocacy centers, residential treatment facilities and the juvenile justice system, among others.

Montclair State and DYFS joined forces in 1999 when the University developed the post-B.A. certificate in child advocacy, the first professional credential in the state in the field of child advocacy. DYFS has funded the program since its inception. "The new master's program is the result of a continued collaboration with DYFS and incorporates the expertise of our faculty, DYFS personnel and other experts in the field including psychologists, sociologists, attorneys and others," McCormick said.

Professionals in the central and southern regions of the state will have access to the M.A. program through a distance-learning component. For more information about the program, call McCormick at 973-655-4188.

Annual dinner raises money for scholarships

MSU President Susan A. Cole, right, with Carpe Diem Award recipients, from left, Carmen Michael Piccolo III, Carinne Stachelski, Orlando Cabrera and Alisha Tillman.

This year's annual dinner on March 29 celebrated "95 Years of Students First" and raised nearly $130,000. Proceeds from the event will support student scholarships.

Nearly 300 attendees were treated to performances by a variety of student groups and organizations including the MSU Chorus, Latinisimo, the MSU Cheerleaders, Swing Phi Swing Social Fellowship, Voice and the cast of "Working."

The evening's lecture was provided by ABC News Anchor and Correspondent Robert Woodruff, who spoke on "Covering War in a Time of Terrorism."

In celebrating the students of Montclair State, four seniors received the President's Carpe Diem Award. This was the inaugural presentation of the award, which recognizes students who have demonstrated the commitment, passion and determination to succeed by rising above difficult circumstances and/or overcoming formidable challenges to "seize the day" in one or more areas of academic life. The recipients were Carmen Michael Piccolo III, a biology major; Carinne Stachelski, who is majoring in political science and history; Orlando Cabrera, a biology major; and Alisha Tillman, a health education major.

NJ Pride returns to campus

The New Jersey Pride, the state's first professional outdoor lacrosse team, is bringing the high-scoring, fast-paced, hard-hitting action of its 2004 Major League Lacrosse (MLL) home schedule back to campus.

Professor Whitman... Political science majors junior Mike Vezza and senior Jeffrey Weeast chat with former governor Christine Todd Whitman who was on campus as a Distinguished Visiting Professor. She spoke in Brigid Harrison's "Women and Politics" class and Julia Landweber's "Women, Power and Politics in Early Modern Europe, 1500-1800." Montclair State regularly invites accomplished professionals to speak to students. "It's a fact that women have different life experiences than our male counterparts," Whitman said. "At more than 50 percent of the population, women's voices and opinions need to be heard at all levels of government and business."

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In 2001, the first year of the league's existence, the Pride played its games at Yogi Berra Stadium. For the past two seasons the Pride played its games at Commerce Bank Park in Bridgewater. This season the Pride will play its home games on Sprague Field.

Coming north allows the Pride to capitalize on a strong lacrosse market, with the highest concentration of youth and high school lacrosse programs for boys and girls.

"This location is by far the most convenient for our entire fan base," said Bob Turco, founding member and general manager of the Pride. "Sprague's turf field will allow us to have youth tournaments and clinics that will make our young fans active participants in Pride events."

Turco said the newly built New Jersey Transit train station on Clove Road will provide convenient mass transit access for New Jersey and New York City fans.

Sprague Field seats approximately 6,000 fans bleacher style. In addition, the Pride Fan Zone will be re-done for 2004, complete with numerous interactive events including speed and accuracy contests and soft lacrosse games.

New Jersey Pride season ticket packages are available by calling 973-686-9500 or by visiting www.newjerseypride.com. Game day walk-up tickets are $18 for adults and $15 for children under 12.

MSU awarded grant to host scholar from Gaza

Montclair State University is among the first group of U.S. colleges and universities to be awarded a grant to host a Fulbright Visiting Specialist in a new program designed to expand understanding and knowledge of Islamic societies and cultures both inside and outside the classroom.

Under the Fulbright Visiting Specialists: Direct Access to the Muslim World program, Montclair State received a grant to host Moian Sadeq, director of the Palestinian Department of Antiquities, Gaza, Palestinian Territories, and professor of archaeology at the Islamic University of Gaza. Sadeq was on campus for two weeks in April.

The new initiative is sponsored by the Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs of the United States Department of State and administered by the Council for

International Exchange of Scholars (CIES) in Washington, D.C.

"Your institution's submission was one of many competitive proposals received from throughout the United States," wrote Patti McGill Peterson, executive director of CIES. "It was clear that Montclair State University recognizes cross-cultural knowledge as the vital variable for internationalizing an institution and achieving the goal of 'globally competent leaders.' "

The Fulbright Visiting Specialist's visit coincided with the University's yearlong series, "The Many Faces of the Muslim World." The series focused on the diversity of Muslim people and cultures around the world.

At MSU, Sadeq lectured to faculty and students on Islamic art and architecture, and the social and educational situation in Palestinian territories, and discussed results of archaeological excavations in which he participated in the old city of Jerusalem.

Other institutions awarded grants in the program include Harvard University, Vassar College, Syracuse University, the University of Pittsburgh, the University of Texas at El Paso, Bowling Green State University, Lafayette College and Washington State University.

Baseball coach captures 500th win

Baseball coach Norm "Moose" Schoenig added another milestone to his already impressive career this spring when the Red Hawks upset No. 4 ranked Eastern Connecticut, 4-3, to give the 17-year head coach his 500th victory.

Schoenig's 500 victories are more wins than any other coach in Montclair State athletic history. His resume also includes two National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Division III National Championships (1993, 2000), five New Jersey Athletic Conference (NJAC) titles, six NCAA Regional championships, six appearances in the Division III World Series, and a national runner-up finish in 1998. He has twice been named the Division III National Coach of the Year and six times he was chosen as the NJAC Coach of the Year.

In 2000 Schoenig guided the team to the greatest season Montclair State has ever seen in the 71-year history of the program when the Red Hawks won an unprecedented 42 of 50 games (42-7-1), setting the school record for victories. The team went on to capture the NCAA Mid-Atlantic Regional title and earned a berth to the Division III World Series, where the Red Hawks earned their third national championship.

ALUMNI NEWS

Softball alumni help celebrate opening of new stadium

Former softball players gathered at the University's new softball stadium April 3 to watch the Red Hawks defeat Richard Stockton in a doubleheader and celebrate the opening of the new facility.

Constructed on the existing field adjacent to the running track, the stadium can accommodate 263 fans in bleacher and stadium molded VIP seats. It also includes a press box, locker rooms and a concession area.

Night games are now part of the schedule thanks to new lighting, and a Daktronics scoreboard replaces the one that was more than 20 years old. The old grass field was replaced with artificial turf and the outfield is made of sand and rubber particles from recycled sneaker soles.

Head Coach Anita Kubicka, who is in her 14th season with the Red Hawks, said the field turf is the same used in Giants Stadium and is endorsed by the National Football League. "It plays like natural grass and the sand-rubber mix is actually the best for softball."

The softball program has won five National Collegiate Athletic Association

Athletic Director Holly Gera, right, enjoys the celebration of the opening of the new softball stadium on April 3 with alumni, standing, from left, Denise Warnock '97, Karen Bouloucon '96, Tara Wisz '01 and, seated, Tonya Galiszewski '03.

regional titles and two New Jersey Athletic Conference Championships. To find out how the softball team and other athletic teams fared this year, go to www.montclair.edu/athletics.

Alumnus receives L. Howard Fox Award

Kevin Lee Allen '81, a production designer from Montclair, received this year's L. Howard Fox Award, presented annually by the Department of Theatre and Dance to an alumna/us who has dedicated his or her talents to the University and has shown outstanding performance in the field.

Allen was presented with the award Feb. 26 after a performance of "The Rivals," a show for which he designed the set, at the Fox Theatre. The award is named after the founding chair of the then-Department of Speech and Theatre. Fox retired in 1977 after 33 years of service at the University. He died in 1996. Fox's family started the award to honor his memory by encouraging alumni to continue their support and involvement with the department and its students.

Allen, owner of Kevin Allen Design in Montclair, won an Emmy Award in 1990 for his work on "The Petrified Forest," a Jack Klugman production in Philadelphia.

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Join the Alumni Network

Join the growing list of alumni who have registered with the Alumni Online Community. List your products and services in the business directory and reach out to thousands of fellow alumni. List a class note, send a Web postcard, find supporters for your charity bike ride or a buyer for your dinette.

Donna Popowich '85, who advertises her education inservice in the business directory, urges other alumni to do the same. "I posted my business card in hopes of increasing contacts in my field," she said. "This is a great opportunity."

Make the MSU Alumni Connection at www.msualumcommunity.com.

Rx for success... Dan Larko '02 attended PharmFest '04 to explore career opportunities in the pharmaceutical field and learn more about one of the state's fastest growing industries. Presented in cooperation with the HealthCare Institute of New Jersey, PharmFest included lectures, panel discussions and a Career Expo at which representatives from various health and pharmaceutical companies distributed information about their companies.

Honoring a friend... Phi Alpha Psi Senate Alumni Council recently dedicated a bench in Alumni Green on campus in honor of one of their members, the late Robert Lombardi '85. The group also established a scholarship in Lombardi's name, which will be available to undergraduates in the fall. Pictured, seated from left, are John La Bianca '90, Philip J. Kiernan Jr. '95, Robert Heller '58, Greg Dabice '94; standing from left, Tony Malanga '84, Sanjay Kaul, Tomy Boyd, Eric Madsen '90, Paul Bershefski '98, Aiden Colie '85 '92 M.A., Peter Mance '02, Glen Guerrin '74, Adam George '87, Joe Testa and Brian Kiernan. For more information about the scholarship or the Senate Alumni Council, e-mail senatealumni@aol.com.

Spanning the UNIVERSITY

Alumni Association welcomes new grads... Members of the Alumni Association Executive Board, and staffers and student workers from the Office of Alumni Relations greeted students as they picked up their caps and gowns in the University Bookstore. The Alumni Association presented each graduate with a useful and humorous book, *Life after College. Explained*. They also registered students in the Alumni Online Community and shared information about the Alumni Job Bank. Pictured, Deborah Corasio, assistant director of Alumni Relations, explains graduation information to Carinne Stachelski '04.

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Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

July 8: MSU Alumni Night at the Races. Alumni will gather trackside at the Meadowlands in Paddock Park for a cookout. Your $25 ticket covers parking, admission, a program and your picnic supper. Child's ticket is $20, children under 3 are free. Cookout starts at 6 p.m. Post time is 7:30 p.m. Reserve your tickets by calling the Alumni Office.

July 24: Bar "A" Summer Splash. Join the tradition and party with other recent grads. Reservations are not required; must be over 21. For more information, see the alumni Web site.

July 27: Alumni Baseball Night at Yogi Berra Stadium. Bring the family for a perfect summer evening outing as the New Jersey Jackals take on Brockton Rox. 7:05 p.m. Tickets: $4. Reserve seats by calling the Alumni Office.

August 31: New Student Move-In Day. We seek 20 alumni volunteers for one of the most enjoyable days of the year. To volunteer, e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

September 8: Alumni Happy Hour. Location to be announced.

October 11-16: Homecoming Week.
We're planning events for everyone—whether you're celebrating your 50th reunion or your fifth. Check the Web site this summer for details.

November 1: Alumni Career Fair. Participate as an employer or a job-seeker. Employers looking for experienced MSU alumni, may request a table at the fair by e-mailing alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Go to *www.montclair.edu/calendar* for a list of music, theater, art exhibits, sporting events, lectures and more.

Alumni Weekend 2004

Alumni renewed old acquaintances and friendships, and began new ones in May at Alumni Weekend 2004—Connections.

Pictured clockwise from right, the class of '54 celebrates its 50th reunion. Sokol Graduate Fellowship Award winner Mahesha Dharmasena '04 (seated center) takes a moment from the Alumni Association luncheon to pose for a picture with Margaret McCormack Sokol '38, who funds the award (seated right); Dharmasena's husband Ajith Abeynayaka (seated left); standing, from left, her friend Supun Pathirana; Marc Kasner, chair of Chemistry and Biochemistry; Wayne D. DeFeo '80 '82 M.A., president of the MSUAA; MSU President Susan A. Cole; and Robert Prezant, dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. DeFeo and Alumni Association board members present Cole with a check for $60,000 toward the amphitheater restoration. William B. Shadel '52 conducts the alumni band, a group of 46 musicians from the classes of 1949 to 2005. Churchill C. Clark '54 '67 M.A. and Herbert I. Jacobson '54 rekindle a friendship. Frank Alvarez '76, executive vice president of the MSUAA Executive Board, greets members of the Black Alumni Chapter (BAC). The BAC's Silent Auction raised more than $1,000 for the James C. Harris Book Scholarship Fund.

More pictures from Alumni Weekend are available in the MSU Alumni Online Community Photo Albums. To register for the Online Community go to www.msualumcommunity.com.

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That's Life

Compiled by Amber Stiles '05 and Deborah Corasio.

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Abbie Salny M.A. of Wayne was named honorary vice president of Mensa International. Salny served more than 20 years as the supervisory psychologist of both American Mensa and Mensa International, where she oversaw Mensa's testing and admissions program. Salny also served as director of Science and Education for American Mensa and is the author of the *Mensa Page-A-Day* calendars. She was instrumental in founding Awards for Excellence, an international program that recognizes research on intelligence and intellectual giftedness. Salny has been a member of Mensa for more than 40 years.

55

The Polish-American Republican Caucus of New Jersey honored **Jadzia Lacz Barwick '58 M.A.** as Outstanding Citizen of the Year. Barwick joined the club in 1987. During her tenure as a member of the Polish University Club of New Jersey, she served on the Scholarship Committee and participated in various duties as member of the Scholarship Ball Committee. She now serves as chairperson of Good and Welfare.

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Maria Schantz M.A. retired from teaching at Montclair State last June, but has kept busy. Her activities have included a keynote address for the New Jersey Council of Teachers of English, giving workshops in the language arts for boards of education in New Jersey, presenting in San Francisco for the National Council of Teachers of English, and serving on the Alumni Association Executive Board. Schantz also found time to drive to Florida and Nova Scotia, fly to Hawaii and visit friends in California.

62

Joan Voss '71 M.A. took her seat on the State Legislature in January at the General Assembly's reorganization ceremony at the War Memorial in Trenton. Voss was first elected to the Fort Lee Borough Council in 1994 and was re-elected to a fourth term in 2003. She recently retired from Fort Lee High School, where she worked as a teacher and administrator since 1963.

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Barbara Berke Ellicott '67 M.A. completed her fourth marathon at the New York City Marathon in November. She has presented "Holistic Living and Healing: How to prevent and/or reverse disease/conditions through diet, exercise, spirituality…" at EarthSave International's Taste of Health at Lincoln Center in New York.

Robert Kirschner '67 M.A. of Robert Kirschner Realty received a Citizen of the Year Award from the Lakewood Chamber of Commerce.

67

After 30 years of teaching art, **Barbara Skwirut Flynn** completed a master's degree in educational technology from New Jersey City University.

Angela D'Agostino Parker has retired after more than 36 years of teaching Spanish and English as a Second Language in the Teaneck school system.

68

Donald H. Bowers retired from Ethicon Inc., where he spent 23 years as director of community relations in charge of the company's philanthropy and support of local private organizations. He will continue his volunteer efforts for nonprofit organizations.

Barbara Brummer was named state director for the New Jersey chapter of The Nature Conservancy. She previously spent 12 years as an executive with the Johnson & Johnson family of companies. Brummer has had a passionate interest in conservation throughout her career. She also teaches several field biology courses at Montclair State.

Joan M. Byrnes joined Andrew Corp. of Orland Park, Ill. in the newly created role of vice president and general manager, Satellite Communications. Brynes was chief operations officer at Loral Skynet. She is chair of the board of directors of the Society for Satellite Professionals International.

Alonzo Jennings has been teaching art at the William Allen Middle School in Moorestown since 1991. He also hosts monthly workshops for adults and children at various locations and has displayed his photographs in several venues, most recently at last year's Moorestown Arts Advocacy Council (MAAC) Art Show and Auction. Each artist at the auction donated a work for sale by silent auction; all profits from the auction went to MAAC scholarship and grant funds.

Tony Muller '70 M.A. and the Dirdy Birdies Jug Band held a reunion performance at the West Band Café in New York after being away from the stage for many years. Muller is retired and living in Florida after a 32-year career teaching biology.

Patricia E. Tesman

Patricia E. Tesman was named president of the New Jersey Advertising Club. At Gianettino and Meredith, an advertising agency in Short Hills, she is senior vice president supervising several accounts. She is also the agency's director of public relations and initiator of its successful seminar/workshop series.

Charles Trocolli has retired after teaching art in the Camden City School District for 28 years. He is an oil painter and is in his second year as president of the Gloucester County Art League.

69

Harryet Ehrlich '75 M.A. has retired after 25 years of teaching art. A detail of one of her paintings serves as the cover of *Resurrection and Redemption*, a book Ehrlich co-authored with Lewis A. Opler, M.D, Ph.D.

Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark named **Kurt Epps** Teacher of the Month for October. Epps has been teaching English, drama and journalism for 34 years, 32 of which have been at Arthur L. Johnson High School. He has also been active in his community, serving as chair of the Perth Amboy Port Authority for nine years and helping to lay the foundations of Perth Amboy's revitalized harborside.

Bonnie Marranca, the publisher of *Performing Arts Journal and Publications*, has a new book out titled *Slice of Life*. She is also a recipient of a Guggenheim award and a Fulbright award.

See page 25 for more information on the class of '69.

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Linda Starzman shared her collection of nutcrackers at the Old Fashioned Holiday Treasures Night in December at the Point Pleasant branch of the Ocean County Library. She has been collecting nutcrackers since 1967. Starzman says the collection stems from her love of the music from Tchaikovsky's "Nutcracker Suite." The event was hosted by the Point Pleasant Borough Cultural Affairs Advisory Committee, headed by Starzman, and the Friends of Point Pleasant.

72

Peter Balsamo '74 M.A. was named vice president for Workforce and Community Development at Luzerne County (Pa.) Community College. He will oversee more than 45 full- and part-time staff members. Balsamo has more than 30 years experience in higher education administration.

John J. Wall was promoted to deputy director, Employment Group, Maryland Transit Administration Office of Human Resources and Organizational Development. He joined the agency in 1988 as chief of Classification and Compensation.

Alan Weiss M.A., president of Summit Consulting Groups of East Greenwich, R.I., was appointed to the Board of Governors of the Harvard Medical School Center for Mental Health and Media. Weiss also serves on the boards of Trinity Repertory Company, Newport International Film Festival and the Institutes of Management Consultants.

73

Carol Ann (Martin) Dawes has published her second book, *Mountain Vines, Mountain Wines*, under the name Casey Young. The book is the first coffee table book on the historic California wine region.

Elaine Petersile Shapow '79 M.A. was promoted by the Cobb County (Ga.) School District to supervisor of Career and Technology Education. She will oversee and implement curriculum and instruction changes, and maintain the budget for all the business education and vocation/career technology programs offered throughout the district's 15 high schools and 29 middle schools.

74

Bill Bernstein is the executive vice president of the Jewish Federation of South Palm Beach County, Fla. The Jewish Federation serves to assist people who are leading lives more reflective of being a whole person and who need the assistance of the community.

Judith Krall-Russo, a food historian and tea specialist, gave members of the Women's Club of Westfield a taste of the brew while telling them about the history of tea making and how it became an important custom in many countries throughout the world. Russo has lectured about tea and has been a tea taster for the past several years. She completed a course at the Tea School in Connecticut.

Brian J. Loughlin was appointed assistant superintendent for the Middlesex County Vocational and Technical Schools. He will be working on a system to provide students with employment training.

Kathy Tuckey was named executive director of Morningside Assisted Living in Evans, Ga., where she will be responsible for operations and daily care of residents. Tuckey previously served as director of resident relations for Manorhouse Assisted Living in Virginia. She is a member of the Alzheimer's Association Augusta Chapter as well as Leadership Augusta.

75

Joseph Ramos is principal of School 5 in Jersey City, which was named a National Demonstration School by representatives of Connect, a national organization based in Massachusetts. Ramos has been the principal since 1999 and was a teacher in the district for 10 years before being named a supervisor in 1984.

76

Danilo Figueredo released his newest children's book, *The Road to Santiago*. A librarian at Bloomfield College and former associate professor at Montclair State University, Figueredo started writing this book three years ago, recalling his own experiences as a child growing up in Cuba during the revolution. Figueredo is working on an encyclopedia of Caribbean literature and has written several other books on Latino history and culture.

Sue Gavin is head coach of the Watchung Hills High School fencing squad, which is in its first year. Gavin fenced competitively while attending Montclair State.

Barbara Landi Hause is president of the Music Educators Association of New Jersey.

77

Wade Decroce recently produced an album, "Name of the Train," by singer/songwriter Will Webb. Decroce also engineered the project, played several instruments and provided background vocals.

Pope John Paul II gave **George Hundt** special honors. Hundt was named one of four new chaplains to the Holy Father and received the title of monsignor. He was ordained in 1981, after which he served as a parochial vicar at St. Peter Parish in Parsippany. He was named diocesan vice-chancellor in 1987, was appointed director of the diocese's Clergy Personnel Board in 2000 and was named pastor of St. Anthony Parish in 2002.

Anthony P. Mauro Sr. had his book, *Take Me on Safari: A Family Affair*, published. The book is Mauro's account of a safari he and his family went on in South Africa.

78

Louis Scurti M.A. recently had his artwork displayed at Jesus Christ Prince of Peace Chapel on the campus of William Paterson University. Over the past three decades, Scurti has created dozens of sculptures and spiritual paintings in an Expressionist style.

79

YouthSong, directed by **Toni Bilotti Cecere**, presented Seasons of Love in December. YouthSong is Bergen County's performance-based vocal education program and youth chorus. Cecere is well known in the choral music world, having developed and trained professional and semi-professional choruses for more than 30 years. She served as music director and cantor for Pope John Paul II during his 1995 visit to New Jersey.

It's not easy to get a room full of high school students to laugh with the teacher, not at the teacher, but **Michael Santa Maria M.A.** does it on a regular basis. Santa Maria has taught since 1979, spending more than two decades of his career in Middletown. He has served as Old Bridge school district's K to 12 language-arts literacy supervisor for three years. These days, Santa Maria teaches one class a day to Old Bridge High School East's sophomore English II honors group.

80

Renee Cimera McFadden, a project manager at IBM, received Project Management Professional (PMP) Certification from the Project Management Institute, the world's leading not-for-profit professional association for project management. McFadden supports the Pathmark account at its headquarters in Carteret where she manages several projects.

Gerald Palmieri has joined the New Orleans Saints coaching staff as the assistant strength and conditioning coach. Palmieri comes to New Orleans after spending the past eight seasons as the strength and conditioning coach of the Jacksonville Jaguars in Florida.

81

Mike Davino has been promoted to colonel in the U.S. Army. He is a student at the Army War College in Carlisle Barracks, Pa.

Ann Marie Miskewicz left the corporate world to launch her own company, Crystal Concierge LLC, serving New Jersey's Morris and Sussex counties, as well as Orange County, N.Y.

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Edward A. Pettit Jr. has been sworn in as chief of the Wyckoff Volunteer Fire Department. Pettit has served as deputy fire chief, battalion chief and lieutenant at Wyckoff's Fire Protection Company No. 1 and has been a member of the Wyckoff Volunteer Fire Department since 1993.

83

Ronald N. Herring, Jr.

The Board of Directors of Mine Safety Appliances Co. (MSA) elected **Ronald N. Herring, Jr.** vice president. Herring will maintain his present responsibilities and reporting relationships as general manager of the Safety Products Division, which is based at the MSA World Headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pa.

84

David Bernarducci was named to the newly created post of vice president of Oak Hill Publications, Inc., a technical and professional documentation outsourcing firm. Bernarducci heads up the East Coast Division of the company, located in Eatontown. He handles sales and service to companies east of the Mississippi.

Evelin K. Potts, general manager of Human Resources and director of Diversity for Sony Electronics Inc., has joined the Board of Trustees of Partnership in Philanthropy. Potts coordinates all minority outreach programs, facilitates diversity workshops, and teams with business partners to develop and implement diversity action plans.

Rene Rovtar M.A. was hired as assistant superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction for the Madison school district. She will focus on curriculum and instruction as well as professional development. Rovtar has been the Morris County superintendent of schools for the past seven years, and prior to this she served as Morris County school business administrator.

86

Matthew Blank is an investigative social worker for Child Protective Services in Albuquerque, N.M. He is also the chief songwriter for his band, Mystery School. The band gives multi-media presentations and interactive workshops that focus on themes such as spirituality and social responsibility. Blank recently led a group in presenting a workshop on spirituality at a conference of the National Association of Social Workers.

James Jarmusch and **Mary Sirak Jarmusch** have been promoted in their jobs. James is vice president for Topcon Medical Systems in Paramus and Mary is vice president of Human Resources for The Bank of New York. The couple has been married over 10 years.

Ottavio G. Nepa has been a chiropractor for eight years and is trained as an Atlas orthogonist. He uses this spinal adjustment technique developed to achieve precise corrections of the spine. Nepa had an additional two years of training to obtain his Atlas orthogonal board-certification.

John Tiene was appointed vice president of Strategic Business Initiatives and Corporate Relations at New Jersey Skylands Management in Basking Ridge.

87

Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP of New York, one of the world's leading international law firms, elected **Gregg S. Jubin** a partner.

88

The first birthday of **Mark Distler's** twin girls has reaffirmed his victory over cancer. Distler and his wife, Stenin, asked the birthday party guests to donate to the Tomorrow's Children Institute at Hackensack University Medical Center for children with serious blood disorders. While he battled Hodgkin's disease during the 1990s, he volunteered on the pediatric oncology floor at the hospital every week.

89

Jon Benjamin recently recorded two CDs: "Better Late Than Never" and "Lost and Found." The CDs are collections of folk ballads written over 20 years. Benjamin learned to play guitar as a child listening to his father give others music lessons. He recently played at Heavenly Temptations in Boonton.

90

Howard Hyde joined the accounting and consulting firm of Weber, Shapiro & Co. in Ramsey as a senior manager. Hyde has 14 years' experience in tax and accounting services, specializing in small, family-run businesses. He is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New Jersey Society of CPAs. He also serves on the legislative committee of the New Jersey Commerce and Industry Association.

91

Natalie Gahrmann M.A. is in charge of NRG (Natalie Rowen Gahrmann) Coaching Associates, which specializes in helping working parents achieve more balance and success in their personal, family and work lives. Her work is done with professionals, executives, managers, educators, entrepreneurs, and business owners who realize there is a gap between where they are and where they truly want to be in their personal or professional lives.

Pamela Schaefer M.A., a Vernon Township High School science teacher, was named the Science, Mathematics and Technology Teacher of the Year by Kean University's New Jersey Center for Science and Technology Education. Schaefer was awarded $2,000 to use toward the curriculum in her courses. A 20-year teaching veteran, Schaefer earned the award because of her innovation in the classroom and her use of the latest instructional and research technology.

Edward F. Szep joined the law offices of Emanuel S. Fish in Maplewood. Szep practices law in the area of plaintiff's tort litigation and handles cases involving lead-paint poisoning, workplace accidents, Social Security disability appeals, and wrongful death claims to name a few. He is a member of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, New Jersey Chapter, the Essex County and New Jersey State Bar Associations, the National Association of Social Security Claimant Representatives and the American Inns of Court.

93

Peter H. Tanella recently joined the law firm of Picillo Caruso O'Toole.

94

The Montclair Alumni Dance Festival featured the Umoja Dance Company, marking the 10th anniversary of Umoja. The company is directed by **Karen Love**, who founded the group when she was a senior at Montclair State. Love, a modern choreographer with an interest in traditional West African dance, maintains close ties with her alma mater.

95

Scott Rubinetti is a wrestling and lacrosse coach at Northern Valley Regional High School in Demarest.

96

Jay Alders

Jay Alders, the *Montclarion's* illustrator and cartoonist from 1991-96, recently had his oil paintings shown at Asterisk Art Gallery in Brooklyn and at Ave A Japanese Restaurant and Gallery in the East Village. Alders' company, Seed Skateboard Company, Inc., and his original designs were selected as one of four artists' works in the country to be featured at the Deck-a-Rama Skateboard Art Exhibit at the Ohlone Gallery in Freemont, Calif.

Terry Clancy M.A. joined the Warren County Community College Board of Trustees, serving a four-year term that ends in 2007. She works for the state Division of Health Emergency Preparedness and Response along with the emergency medical services division of Morristown Memorial Hospital. She also volunteers for the Mansfield Township Emergency Squad.

97

Lisa Magda Linn received a full scholarship from her employer, the Division of Youth and Family Services, Sussex County, to return to school full time to earn a master's degree in social work from Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Howard Poppel M.A. recently completed the course work in the Ph.D. program in the School of Education at New York University. Poppel published his first book, *How to Travel for Next to Nothing*. He teaches a course on the topic at Brookdale Community College in Monmouth and is a senior program manager for Dun & Bradstreet Sales and Marketing Solutions. He has been married since October 1998 and is the father of Nichole Grace, born April 3, 2003.

98

Brian Conway has been promoted to vice president of Valley National Bank in Wayne. Conway was recruited to the bank's management training program in 1998 and was subsequently assigned to the asset-based division of Valley's commercial lending area in 1999.

Timothy Donnelly, social studies teacher and head fencing coach at Passaic Valley High School in Little Falls, recently appeared as a contestant on the television show, "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire?"

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Victor Cirilo has been hired by Assemblyman John F. McKeon (27th Dist., Essex County) as his chief of staff. Cirilo leaves the Housing Authority in Dover where he was employed for five years as manager of Housing Operations. He is pursuing a master's degree in public administration at Rutgers University.

Caroline Parody M.A., accompanist for the Concord Singers, teaches piano and voice at Montclair State University and is a vocal coach and accompanist for the Newark Boys Chorus School. She also performs with various opera groups.

01

Barbara Laudicina M.A. is principal of Catherine E. Doyle Elementary School in Wood-Ridge. She is a past recipient of the Governor's Recognition Award, Technologist of the Year, and is the author of educational articles.

Eileen Pluta joined the faculty at Salt Brook School in New Providence as an instrumental strings teacher.

02

Andrea C. Romanko recently displayed her collection of photographic works, "On the Edge," at the North Brunswick Department of Human Services Gallery of Art, located in the North Brunswick Government Community Complex. Her collection included a study of the colors and textures of the Southwest.

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03

Lynne Elizabeth Schreur was hired as Broadway marketing assistant for the Kimmel Center, Inc., the Regional Performing Arts Center of Philadelphia, Pa. Her responsibilities include promotion of the Citizens Bank Broadway at the Academy series. She is pursuing a master's degree in arts administration at Drexel University in Philadelphia.

Engagements

Carol Elaine Mitschele '84 to Robert Klotz. A May 2004 wedding was planned.
William De Luca '94 to Ann Marie Forfa. A fall 2004 wedding is planned.
Patricia E. Dougherty '95 to Michael J. Parillo. A December 2004 wedding is planned.
Cheryl Lynn Hergert '96 '02 M.A. to Dustin Grande. A July 2004 wedding is planned.
Katherine Joy Tempel '98 to Michael Dennis Krompascik. An October 2004 wedding is planned.
Matthew Horutz '99 to **Tara Keating '99**. A November 2004 wedding is planned.
Joseph Anthony Stella '99 to Caitlin Anne Hanley. A July 2005 wedding is planned.
Layla Marie Taylor '99 to Robert George Schott Jr. A February 2005 wedding is planned.
Janet Delgado '00 to Rocco DeSiano. A September 2005 wedding is planned.
Jeffrey Michael Holton '00 to Bonnie Lynn Martin. A fall 2005 wedding is planned.
Meredith Leigh Fisher '01 to Eric Robert Joseph. An October 2004 wedding is planned.
David L. Magidson '01 to Laura E. Burgos. A September 2004 wedding is planned.
Thomas Charles Worsley '01 to Colleen Lyn Mongiello. A June 2004 wedding is planned.
Marisa Belasco '02 to Enrico Antonio Maglifiore. A May 2004 wedding is planned.
Christopher Todd '02 to Rebecca Beth Kahney. An October 2004 wedding is planned.
Jessica Sorrell '03 to Kevin Bullock. A fall 2004 wedding is planned.

Marriages/Unions

Charles Victor Croce '68 to Anne Callahan on Feb. 14, 2004
Maureen Langan '84 to Peter James McDermott on Sept. 28, 2003
Tara Marie Morlando '97 '99 M.A. to Steven Joseph Zurlo on Oct. 25, 2003
Seth Tayler '97 to **Joy Robbins '00** on April 21, 2002
Christine D'Amato '95 to **David Salerni '95** on Aug. 16, 2003
Liann Marie Porpora '97 to Timothy Christian Munson on Nov. 27, 2003
Heidi Heusser '98 to Kevin Filippelli in July 2003
Monica Semeniuk '99 to Mark Szczepanik on April 26, 2003
Mary Lynn Santucci '00 to Anthony James Albanese on Sept.13, 2003
Christina M. Chillemi '01 to **Alan J. Thomas '01** on Nov. 9, 2003
Wardah Safiyya Bowens '02 to Tracy Porter on Jan. 1, 2004

Tara Morlando and Steven Zurlo

Monica Semeniuk to Mark Szczepanik

Aaron A. Macke '02 to Katherine L. Butts on Oct. 11, 2003
Karen Grano '02 M.A. to Christopher J. Corvino on July 25, 2003

Births

To **Eugene Galdi '88** and Lisa Galdi, a daughter, Jenna Nicole, on June 2, 2003
To **Alexander Stecyna '90** and Michele Stecyna, a daughter, Alexa Michele, on May 29, 2003
To **Kathryn DeGraaff Kula '92 '97 M.A.** and Stan Kula, a daughter, Carolie Hope, on May 29, 2003
To **Maria DeVincenzo Newmark '92** and **Richard Newmark '93**, a daughter, Sarah Julia, on Nov. 17, 2003
To **Andrea Sprague Jennings '95** and **Chris Jennings '95**, a son, Dillon Christopher, on March 29, 2003
To **Trina Chance O'Gorman '01 M.A.** and Sean O'Gorman, a son, Aidan James, on Feb. 27, 2003

In Memoriam

Agnes Jeanette Bond Seybolt '20
Eleanor Meade Ashworth '22
Mary Elizabeth Jenkins '27
Philomena Spinelli Terranova '29
William J. Jackson '31 '38 M.A.
Leonard J. Buchner '37 '42 M.A.
Helen Vogels Boyer '41
Frances Greydanus '41 '46 M.A.
Paul Dittrich '49
John F. Mineur '49
Beatrice Pietroniro Nielsen '50 M.A.
Dolores Ford Rover '51
Frank Salsano '53
Luise Roessle Asner '54
Emanuel Robert Senerchia '55
Arthur M. Scavone '58
Edward Buzinky '59 '62 M.A.
Edmund P. Riccardi '59
Anthony S. Pompilio '61 '64 M.A.
John Koob '64
Natalie Campos Flitcroft '68 M.A.
Lawrence Winfield Culp '69 M.A.
Elaine Costello Connaughton '71
Rene Brett Guinan '71
Rodney C. Olson '71
Julius Wargacki '71 '78 M.A.
Patricia A. Marchioni-Gibbons '75
Arlene G. Cheskin '77 '79 M.A.
Thomas H. Farley '77 M.A.
Christopher J. Maier '77
Iris Levenstein '78 M.A.
JoAnn McClear '78 M.A.
Barbara Nuss '78 M.A.
Joseph Aji '79
James L. Wallace '79
Heidi Conti Goode '81
Maurice Zubatkin '83
Louise Knoll Dillon '84 '92 M.A.

Alumni can send information about engagements, weddings, anniversaries and births to Alumni Relations, 34 Normal Ave., Montclair, NJ 07043; fax 973-655-5483; or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu. All information must be submitted within six months of the event and incude expected date of marriage for "Engagements," the wedding date for "Marriages" and the date of birth for "Births." Anniversaries in five-year increments from the 25th anniversary on will be published. All submissions must include a name and telephone number for verification. Photos are welcome, but cannot be returned unless accompanied by a self-address stamped envelope.

Alumnus gets scoop on classmates from 1969

Harry Kuhn, president of the class of 1969, caught up with some of his former classmates to find out what they've been doing since their days at Montclair State. He shared what he learned with Alumni Life.

Rosanne Bostonian is in private practice in Florham Park providing psychological services. She earned a Ph.D. at Yeshiva University in 1991. Her dissertation research was on the development of speech in toddlers. Bostonian was a teacher and coach at Paramus High School from 1971 through 1985 before becoming a school psychologist in the Parsippany and West Morris school districts. She founded the Budweiser Belles Women's Fastpitch Softball Team.

Kurt Epps earned a master's degree in student personnel services from Kean College in 1976 and was included in *Who's Who Among American Teachers*, 1992. Epps portrays New Jersey's last royal governor, William Franklin, for the Perth Amboy Proprietary House Association. He is a singer, writer, literary critic, linguist and co-founder of the New Jersey Association of Beer Writers. His caricature is on the label of Heavyweight Brewing Company. He and his wife, Donna, have three sons.

Jim Hoyt joined the Peace Corps to teach math in the African country of Malawi. He earned a master's degree in college student personnel services at Columbia University and was hired in 1973 as a counselor at Nassau Community College. Hoyt completed a Ph.D. program at New York University in 1988. He was awarded the New York State University's Chancellor Award for Excellence in Professional Services in 1998. He and his wife, Josephine, have three children.

Harry Kuhn entered the field of social work in 1969, earning a master's degree in psychology at MSC in 1973 and a master of social work from Rutgers University in 1978. As a member of the New Jersey Crisis Response Team, Kuhn served at the WTC Family Assistance Center at Liberty State Park. He is also a certified American Red Cross disaster mental health clinician. In 1993, he conducted a wreath-laying ceremony at the American Military Cemetery in Bony, France to mark the 75th anniversary of the Breaking of the Hindenburg Line. He and his wife, Dominique, have four children.

Paul Lioy completed a master's degree in physics and applied math at Auburn University in 1971 and four years later earned a Ph.D. in environmental sciences at Rutgers University. A professor at New York University's Institute for Environmental Medicine before becoming a professor of environmental medicine at Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in 1989, Lioy received the 1998 Wesolowski Award for Lifetime Achievement in exposure analysis research. In 2003, he received the Frank Chambers Award for air-pollution research. Lioy is the deputy director at the Environmental and Occupational Health Sciences Institute of New Jersey. He and his wife, Mary Jean, have one son.

Bonnie Marranca traveled to Europe before moving to New York City in 1971. She did graduate work in theatre at Hunter College and completed her doctoral studies at the City University of New York. In 1975, she and her husband started their own avant-garde arts journal for the international community of video, theatre, dance, music and new media artists. The 1984 recipient of the George Jean Nathan Award for Dramatic Criticism, Marranca was a senior 1998-99 Fulbright Scholar-Teacher at the Free University in Berlin. She now teaches at Princeton University.

Andrew Paterna earned a master's degree in educational administration at New York University and in 1972 became Manchester (Conn.) Community College's director of Student Activities. Paterna is MCC's coordinator of Sport and Exercise Studies. He earned a Ph.D. in kinesiology in 2003 at the University of Connecticut, and presents scholarly papers at conferences, serves on the Connecticut Recreation and Parks Association, and has chaired community service projects on multiple sclerosis, women's wellness, spirituality and healing, and children's health. He and his wife, Joan Osipowitz '70, have two sons.

Thomas Stepnowski was graduated from the University of Connecticut in 1970 with a master's degree in student personnel education. While at Montclair State University, Stepnowski was the director of student activities (1970-83), the assistant dean of students (1983-86) and the assistant vice president for facilities (1986-95). He was the director of facilities maintenance services at Rutgers University from 1995-2002. Stepnowski received the 2002 Pacesetter Award given for contributions in facilities management by the Association of Higher Education Facilities Officers. He and his wife, Charlene, have two children.

Nadine Udall-Fischer earned a master's degree in speech and language pathology in 1975 and received Certificate of Clinical Competence in Speech-Language Pathology (CCC-SLP) credentials one year later. Udall-Fischer was selected in 1994 as one of the 15 most accomplished women in New Jersey. In 2001, she was selected as a "thought leader" by the *Financial Times'* knowledge dialogue in the field of human communication. She founded Nadia Communications and the Children's Speaking Company, and is co-author of *The Map to Clear Messages: Conversations with a Wizard and a Warrior* to be released this year. She has three children.

Notes from Panzer

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Beginning with the next issue of Alumni Life, *news from Panzer graduates will be incorporated into the "That's Life" column. We'd like to take this opportunity to thank Lois Kelly for her diligent work over the past five years compiling "Notes from Panzer" and we look forward to keeping up with her and other Panzer graduates in "That's Life." Send submissions to "That's Life/Panzer Notes," Alumni Relations, 1 Normal Ave., Montclair, NJ 07043.*

Frances Trebour '42 and her husband, retired United States Marine Corps Major Frederick Seelig, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary in April. Fran and Fred are the proud parents of three children and the grandparents of eight. Major Seelig is a Pearl Harbor survivor.

Ernest "Ernie" Dubay '50 founded the Elementary and Middle School Track Meets for Woodbridge Township in 1956. In May the schools celebrated their 48th anniversary and the events are now called the Ernest Dubay Track Meets. Ernie also has been honored at the Fords Clara Barton Baseball League Dinner Dance as the co-founder. The other co-founder was the late Father John E. Grimes of Fords. Ernie resides in Burlington County.

Bob Argentero '53 and wife Joan are among the few people known to spend summers at their Florida home and winters in their Vermont home. Yes, the Argentero family loves to ski.

Patrice Zaccone '56 a couch potato? No way. She barely settled in from a trip to France and started packing again. The latest trip was to Las Vegas. Pat enjoyed the glitz, glitter and gambling, but the highlight was attending a Celine Dion concert.

There was no chance of dust or snow settling on Panzer Notes columnist **Lois Kelly '56**. I thoroughly enjoyed a getaway, skiing, hiking and quiet evenings while playing catch-up with friends from a previous snowmobile adventure in Iceland. Changing gears with a trip to Florida, lots of photography and visits with friends and relatives. After a short hiatus, biking is part of my life again. To celebrate, I bicycled Belgium and Holland. It was the best.

John Gardner '55 and wife **Marge Huen Gardner '57** have been on the move. The couple spent vacation time in the Pocono (Pa.) Mountains before heading off to Hawaii. The Hawaiian vacation included a seven-day cruise visiting five of the islands. A short stay back in New Jersey and Marge and John were off and running, this time for six weeks in Florida. More lovers of that warm sunshine.

Luciann Keczmerski Slomkowski '57 and husband Ed were on a whirlwind cruise this year, which began in Brazil and continued down the eastern coast of South America. Many ports of call were visited on the way to Antarctica. A major highlight of Patagonia was visiting the natural habitat of the Magellan penguins, followed with visits to Hope Bay, Petermann Island, Anvers Island and the Lemaire Channel to Deception Island. Rounding Cape Horn and going through the Chilean Fiords to Valparaiso brought their trip to an end in Santiago, Chile. The Slomkowskis, when they settle down, travel between their Forked River home and their Pawley's Island, S.C. home. Special time is always set aside for visits with their first grandchild, Rory Christine.

Anita Blomberg '69 knows how to enjoy retirement to the fullest, with a recent trip to Las Vegas (and yes, a Celine Dion concert). While in the area she toured the Grand Canyon, which she found humbling and awesome. Another cold weather escapee, Anita headed for Florida for a little R and R before the next venture. In April, she traveled to Holland to spend quality time with family and view the beautiful fields of tulips and hyacinths. While in Europe, Anita traveled to Basel, Lucerne, Interlaken and the Alps. This tour included traveling on the Jungfraujoch to some of the highest peaks in Europe, which are accessible only by train. Welcome back to New Jersey, Anita.

In Memoriam
M. Evelyn Maloney '55
Dr. Hazel M. Wacker '33

Hazel M. Wacker '33 was a long-time member and former chair of the Department of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies. She joined the faculty of the Panzer College of Physical Education and Hygiene in East Orange in 1944 and became a member of the Montclair State faculty in 1958 when Panzer College merged with Montclair State. She brought with her a deep commitment to physical education and health education, a natural talent for organization and enlightened leadership, and a lifelong passion for the values and people that made Panzer College unique. During the course of her career she found time to assume leadership roles in her professional organizations, to use her talents for the public good before civic engagement was recognized as a major responsibility of the higher education community, and to be deeply involved in her spiritual community.

Head track and field coach Gerald "Bennie" Benson, Jr. passes away

Head track and field coach Gerald "Bennie" Benson, Jr., 36, passed away Feb. 20 of a heart attack. A funeral was held in Pittsburgh, Pa., where Benson was raised.

"Bennie was a special person," said MSU Director of Athletics Holly Gera. "He was a tough competitor and a great track coach."

Benson spent the past nine years with the Red Hawks. He took over a dormant program that last enjoyed success in the 1991-1992 seasons, and elevated MSU into one of the premier programs in the nation.

"He wasn't just a coach, he was a father figure for most of us on the team," said Tierra Hicks '03, a six-time All-American and 2003 NCAA Division Outdoor champion. "No matter who we competed against or where, he always made us feel as though we belonged."

Under his tutelage, Benson helped fashion three individual NCAA Division III champions and 42 All-Americans. In addition, Montclair State produced 50 New Jersey Athletic Conference champions and saw more than 100 athletes named to the All-Conference team.

In 2002 he was named as the NCAA Men's Indoor National Coach of the Year as well as the 2002 NCAA Men's Regional Indoor Coach of the Year. He also was honored by the Senate of the State of New Jersey in 2002 for his coaching accomplishments.

CBS aired a profile on Benson in April as part of its NCAA Winter Championship Highlight Show.

Fashion world

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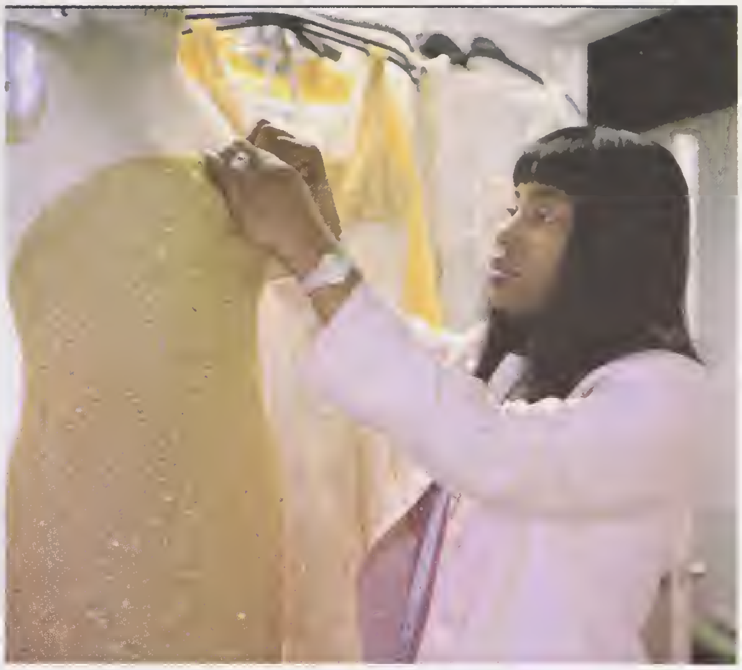
and some high-profile clients. Mary J. Blige, Whitney Houston, Kelly Price, Ja Rule and her husband have all donned Fusha clothing. Jean recently dressed Wyclef and his band for a performance at the MTV Europe Awards and as a result, *In Style* magazine dubbed him one of entertainment's top 10 best-dressed men.

Working with her husband has been mutually beneficial. While Jean makes sure Wyclef looks great, he sets the soundtrack to her fashion shows. "Wyclef has been very supportive of what I'm doing. The whole concept of fashion and music is beautiful. Together, it is so powerful and so unique. It works perfectly."

With her fall collection, which received rave reviews, behind her, Jean has gone back to the drawing board to prepare for the spring collection. In the fashion industry, there's no time to rest. "Every six months you've got to come up with something different, a whole new unique line from what you've done before," she explained. "I take my sketch pad everywhere I go—when I'm eating, when I'm on a plane. As long as I have my own quiet space, that's my world to be creative in."

Each season is a growing process for Jean as she tries to take her designs and her business to new levels. She's looking at getting her line into high-end department stores. "I've only been custom designing for individuals but in the future, I want to be in stores all over, worldwide," she said. "That would be a big move."



While Jean already has made a name for herself in the fashion industry, she is dedicated to finishing her degree at Montclair State and hopes to graduate in January. "Education is always important. I have five brothers and sisters and everybody graduated from college but me. When I start something, I like to finish it, otherwise I'm incomplete," she said. "At the end of the day it doesn't matter, but it's important to me because I'm still learning. There's always something to learn no matter what class you take, no matter what age you are, no matter who you are."

Jean says the University has played a tremendous role in her success. "Montclair State has taught me so much about fabric and color in the textile classes, plus the marketing and advertising classes have all come in handy."

Her adviser and coordinator of the fashion studies concentration in Human Ecology, Linda Reilly, says Jean's determination to succeed in all aspects of her life is evident. "She is obviously talented as a designer; however, the quality that stands out about her is her enthusiasm for her career and the fashion industry. Claudinette is a positive, creative student who is eager to learn and complete her college degree."

"We are happy to see her succeed and are proud of her accomplishments," added Elaine Flint, chair of the Human Ecology Department. "We look forward to having Claudinette share her experience in developing and producing a line of high fashion apparel with the other Fashion Studies students. She is an inspiration to other students when they see what a young designer can accomplish in a relatively short time period."

For those students with aspirations of becoming fashion designers, Jean's advice is to get the most out of school by utilizing its resources like internships and contacts. "Be creative. People are looking for uniqueness. That's what this world is all about," she said. "Don't give up. You'll hear things like 'Are you sure? How are you going to make money out of doing fashion?' But that's just like telling an artist you can't make money with your art. You've just got to put in 100 percent and take risks in a positive way. Hopefully, for every step you take, the closer you get to the dream. That's what I did, and it works."

Campus is a hot spot for sports action

Whether you're a softball fan, a baseball junkie or crazy about lacrosse, you will find your fill of sports action on the Montclair State campus throughout the summer. The New Jersey Jackals, a member of the Northeast League, have been entertaining baseball fans at Yogi Berra Stadium since 1998. Special game day promotions are fun for fans of all ages. For more information, go to www.jackals.com.

The New York/New Jersey Juggernaut, one of six teams in the nation's only women's professional fastpitch softball leagues, will play this season at the Montclair State Softball Stadium, which opened this spring. The NY/NJ Juggernaut features top caliber players including two-time USA Olympic Gold Medalist and New Jersey native Michele Smith. For more information, go to www.nynjjuggernaut.com.

The New Jersey Pride, the state's first professional outdoor lacrosse team, is bringing the high-scoring, fast-paced, hard-hitting action of its 2004 Major League Lacrosse (MLL) home schedule to Sprague Field, which seats approximately 6,000 fans bleacher style. Game day walk-up tickets are $18 for adults and $15 for children under 12. For more information, go to www.newjerseypride.com.

Carpe DIEM

Pomp and circumstance... Montclair State graduated the largest class in its history (2,989) including its first doctoral students. Martha Croley, pictured left, was one of four to earn a doctorate in pedagogy. Pictured right, actor Alec Baldwin received an honorary degree at the May 21 ceremony at the Continental Airlines Arena in East Rutherford. Go to www.montclair.edu/insight for more commencement photos.

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The Inside TRACK

Susan A. Cole
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Already nationally recognized as a leader in teacher education, Montclair State once again stands at the forefront of implementing best practices with the creation of its Children's Center. Research demonstrates that inclusive early childhood education, which unites children with identified disabilities and those without in a common environment, has a positive impact on all, and when it opens its doors next September, the Children's Center will lead the way in this area.

As you will read in this issue of *Alumni Life*, the Children's Center will unite three exceptional existing programs: the Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program, which provides special education services to children from birth through age 3; the Demonstration Program, which provides special education services to children between the ages of 3 and 5; and the Child Care Center. In addition, the Center will serve as a learning laboratory for more than 400 early childhood educators each year. The Children's Center is unique in combining early intervention services, special education services and child care services at an institution of higher education. As Dean of the College of Education and Human Services Ada Beth Cutler notes, "This is a lighthouse program, a model not just for this area, but for this country."

Even while under construction, the new home for the College of Education and Human Services is already a campus landmark.

A host of other developments make this a particularly exciting year for Montclair State. We opened the Alexander Kasser Theater, a stunning performance venue that will showcase a bold artistic initiative to bring to the University performers who challenge the conventions of dance, music, theater and opera. Mikhail Baryshnikov inaugurated the Theater in October with his performance in "Forbidden Christmas or The Doctor and the Patient."

Montclair State officially has launched a Capital Campaign that will keep us on the forefront of educational excellence. You will read much more about the Campaign in the next issue of *Alumni Life*, and we will continue to keep you informed .about the people who have joined our effort and the programs they have made possible. For example, the late Marie Frazee-Baldassarre '43 '46 M.A., who worked at Montclair State for 42 years, left us a generous bequest that establishes an endowed professorship in the English Department and funds scholarships in both English and the sciences.

We welcomed a new freshman class, 1,770 bright, technologically savvy students eager to embrace the challenges and opportunities of college life. We look forward to growing with them over the next four years and to celebrating their graduation the year Montclair State marks its centennial. As the University approaches its 100th year, I hope you will renew your commitment to ensure that Montclair State continues to be an outstanding educational resource for New Jersey and the nation.

A new school year has begun. Our alma mater is growing and exciting changes are on the horizon.

The amphitheater restoration project is completed, bringing one of the campus's greatest treasures back to life. Thanks to all who have contributed to the project. It's not too late to make a donation and help the Alumni Association meet its $500,000 commitment to the project.

As the autumn season begins and it becomes important to warm the body, consider purchasing a bottle of Mont Clair wine. The Alumni Association has begun working with the Westfall Winery to produce a private label Alumni Association wine. Georgene Mortimer '92, proprietor of this wonderful jewel in Montague, has agreed to provide the Association with her award-winning, hand-pressed vintages. So enjoy some libation (in moderation, of course) while supporting your alma mater.

I invite all alumni to join us Oct. 15-17 for Homecoming. Thanks to Jim Wassell '73, who is working with football alumni to watch the game from the president's VIP tent in the end zone, this year's Homecoming looks to be the best ever.

Another reason to attend Homecoming is the opportunity to win a one-week's Resort Condominium rental. Thanks to the efforts of Phil Kiernan '95, Vivian Lalumia '86, Elaine Yaccarino '88 '92 M.A. and Paul Bershefski '98, one of our new Affinity partners, Cendant Corp., is making a special space-available rental a prize at this year's Homecoming. It's our way to introduce the new Web-based alumni benefits platform, Beneplace. Stop by the alumni registration table for more information.

Are you seeking a new job? You won't want to miss the Career Fair for students and alumni on Monday, Nov. 1, 4-7 p.m. in the Student Center. Employers are bringing jobs for experienced alumni as well as entry-level opportunities. The Career Fair will be followed by a Virtual Career Fair, so be sure to log on.

Signature events are just one aspect of the services the Alumni Association offers. Your membership makes this programming possible.

If you haven't visited our Web site you're missing tremendous savings opportunities on travel, insurance, merchandise and more. Go to www.montclair.edu/alumni and select "Services" or "Beneplace" for details. Thank you Phil Kiernan and Beneplace for making this program a reality.

The Alumni Online Community has continued to grow. Since my last column, the total number of registered alumni has more than doubled. Why not join and meet old friends, discuss issues of importance to your class or just kibitz.

Have you read *Alumni Connections*? This wonderful, electronic newsletter began in March thanks to Deborah Corasio of Alumni Relations.

As always, there is more to tell than there is room to tell it. Come back and see us. We have a great deal to talk about.

Wayne DeFea '80 '82 M.A.
President
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When the Children's Center opens its doors next fall, it will be a model for inclusive early childhood education. *(Story on Page 4)*

Letters to the Editor

Fond memories

I have many fond memories of Montclair State College, as it was known while I was in attendance between 1967 and 1971. I graduated with a major in psychology and I believe I may have been in the first graduating class of psychology majors. I met many wonderful teachers, and the faculty in the Department of Psychology was particularly outstanding—supportive, encouraging and generous with their time. Many of the faculty in psychology, as well as in other departments, nurtured my intellectual curiosity and were very influential in my career and personal growth. To all of them and the University, I want to say a big "thank you."

Michael Heaney '71

Thanks for College High

I enjoyed reading Max Sobel's letter in the Winter 2004 issue of *Alumni Life*. Like him, I was a person who appreciated College High, both then and later. As a member of the class of 1939, I enjoyed and benefited from the experience of observing masterful faculty members demonstrate techniques of classroom teaching to a bunch of good kids. As an English major, I felt that the observations were as good (or even better) than the methodology textbooks.

During 1939-40, I was fortunate to serve as an assistant in the English Department. Frequently, when a member of the department was away for meetings or programs or speeches, I would be asked to cover as a substitute. I had some good moments with *Silas Marner*, grammar problems, *Macbeth* and *A Tale of Two Cities*.

What a wonderful way to anticipate a career in high school classes of my own. No wonder I was ready for a long and challenging teaching career (after the war, of course).

Today, college preparation for teachers could certainly benefit not only from such "live" observations, but also from trying things out as the substitute, for practice, in front of students.

Thanks for College High!

Bob Hilton '39

Editor's Note: We encourage letters to the editor related to issues discussed in *Alumni Life*, that relate to the University or that are of interest to our readers. Letters may be edited for length, clarity and civility. Letters can be mailed or sent via e-mail to stliferd@mail.montclair.edu.

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Learning, Playing and Growing Together

The Children's Center, a model for inclusive early childhood education

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

When 4-year-old Liam came to Montclair State University's Demonstration Preschool in September 2003, he was affectionately nicknamed "Crash and Smash." Liam has been diagnosed with Pervasive Development Disorder (PDD), a form of autism that affects his verbal communication skills. "Liam's way of getting attention was to be destructive," explained his mother, Kimberly Donohue. "Liam has more of a communication issue than a processing issue. He is very touchy-feely and has sensory needs. We didn't want him to get lost in a big program, which is why we chose Montclair State. He responds better to kindness than to commands."

Liam already has made great strides, using more verbal communication than when he first started the program. "School can't always solve all the problems," Donohue said, "but getting children early intervention and being proactive certainly helps."

Liam's learning opportunities will expand even more next fall when the Children's Center at Montclair State opens its doors. The Center, a 21,500-square-foot, state-of-the-art facility, will be a model for inclusive early childhood education, meaning children with disabilities learn, play and grow alongside their same-age peers. Inclusive education rests on the belief that the appropriate context for young children with special developmental needs is in the same settings where their typically developing peers are found. The Children's Center will unite three exceptional programs for children already in existence at Montclair State, providing a social and learning environment where children can explore, create and experience learning as members of a diverse community.

Inclusion: a right, not a privilege for a select few

Paula Lieb, executive director of the New Jersey Coalition for Inclusive Education, a nonprofit organization of parents and professionals dedicated to equity and access for all students in their neighborhood schools, says inclusive education has been the focus of federal and state law since 1954 when the Supreme Court ruled that having separate facilities is "inherently unequal." The case became the springboard upon which parents in Washington, D.C. and Pennsylvania fought in court to end the exclusion of their children with identified disabilities from their public schools, and led directly to the passage in 1975 of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

The law entitles every eligible child with a disability to an appropriate education in the least-restrictive environment, with the term "restrictive" used as a measure of the child's opportunity to be educated with non-disabled peers. To ensure the inclusion of children with disabilities to the maximum extent, Congress added placement rules allowing removal from regular classrooms to special classes or separate schooling only when education could not be achieved satisfactorily in general education classrooms with the use of supplementary supports and services.

Although IDEA's presumption was that priority would be given to placing children with disabilities in their home schools and in general education classrooms, confusion reigned for more than a decade as to what was expected of school districts. However, between 1991 and 1993, the legal analyses of the federal courts around the United States converged, producing simple rules for districts to follow in considering placement. At the same time, these court decisions energized the efforts of educators to develop evidence-based practices to support diverse learners in the same general education classroom, such as differentiating instruction, teaching to multiple intelligences, using functional assessments, organizing cooperative learning groups, using technology—all practices that are being used today to enrich classrooms to the benefit of all children.

In 1993, New Jersey's Oberti vs. Board of Education set one of the strongest legal standards in the country supporting inclusion of students with disabilities in general education settings. In the case, the district court stated that "inclusion is a right, not a privilege for a select few."

Why Inclusion?

Throughout most of the country, emphasis on inclusion has been on the elementary education setting, but experts agree the sooner children can be in an inclusive setting the better. "The earlier inclusion begins, the more likely children will be successfully included in their neighborhood schools beginning in kindergarten, learning and practicing needed skills alongside the peers who will be their neighbors, friends and co-workers when they grow up," said Lieb. "That's why there's a bias in the law for children age 0-2 years to be placed in natural environments—typical settings where you would find infants without disabilities—and for preschoolers and older children to be in general classrooms and activities in the community with peers without disabilities."

Research has shown that inclusion positively impacts children with identified disabilities as well as those without. One proven example is with children on the spectrum of autism who have no, or minimal, language skills. Studies have shown that non-speaking children will attempt more often to verbally communicate if they are around their typically developing peers.

Antoinette Spiotta, director of the Demonstration Program, says research shows that in a peer-tutoring setting, when one child teaches another, the tutoring child often benefits most from the experience. "The more-typically developing children learn how to interact and communicate with a wider range of children," she explained. "What an advantage that will be, as adults, to have the ability to communicate effectively with a wide range of people and help them be the best they can be. That's an invaluable skill, to say nothing of the empathy that it will develop."

MSU's Children

The Demonstration Preschool, which has been in operation since the early 1970s within the College of Education and Human Services, is an approved program of the New Jersey Department of Education to provide special education services to children between the ages of 3 and 5. The children in the preschool have been classified by their sending school districts as Preschool Disabled, which means they have an identified disabling condition and/or a measurable developmental impairment that requires special education and related services.

Younger children, from birth through age three, are eligible for special services through the Jeffrey Dworkin Early Childhood Program. These young children receive early intervention services in their homes where early interventionists work with families to find learning opportunities for the child within their family's routines and activities.

Many of the preschoolers who attend the Demonstration Preschool have been identified as having Autistic Spectrum Disorder or PDD, which includes such diagnoses as Autism, Asperger's Syndrome, Childhood Disintegrative Disorder, Rett's Syndrome and PDD Not Otherwise Specified (children with signs of mild autism, but who do not meet the full criteria for autism). Children on the Autistic Spectrum exhibit difficulty with social interaction, language, symbolic play, nonverbal communication and have a limited range of interests.

For the nearly 80 children currently enrolled in the University's Child Care Center, which will join the Demonstration Preschool and Early Childhood Program in the new Center, an inclusive environment may not be a dramatic change. "We believe in teaching

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Making an Investment In Education

BY DIANA ST. LIFER

In many ways, Montclair State University was a family to the late Marie Frazee-Baldassarre '43 '46 M.A. The week after earning a master's degree in English, Frazee-Baldassarre began working in the President's Office for Dr. E. DeAlton Partridge and launched a 42-year career that touched the lives of several presidents, deans, faculty members and countless others who had the privilege of making her acquaintance.

"Marie's feelings for Montclair State were very strong," said Ann Hartmann '62, who met Frazee-Baldassarre through her undergraduate work as president of the Student Education Association. "And her feelings for the University rubbed off on many of us."

A high achiever in high school, Frazee-Baldassarre was determined to continue her education despite the hard economic times of the early 1940s. "The Depression had really taken my father for a ride," she said in an interview a few years prior to her death in November 2003. Although Montclair State's $100 annual tuition "seemed like an awful lot of money in those days," she knew her family couldn't afford the high price tag of other schools to which she was accepted. On a scholarship from the Women's Club in Montclair, Frazee-Baldassarre attended Montclair State tuition-free her first year.

The college freshman had always held a deep love for languages, so she set out to earn a degree in French, but was so inspired by professors in the English Department that she switched majors to study the field for which she held a true passion.

Decades later, Frazee-Baldassarre was still lauding the scholars who ignited her love for English, including professors Harold C. Bohn, Russell Krauss, Lawrence H. Conrad and Edwin S. Fulcomer.

"Oh yes, I love the college," she said. "And the people I met here I loved...My entire life has been associated with the University."

Frazee-Baldassarre passed away at age 82, but her affection for Montclair State will be felt for many years through a generous bequest she left to establish an endowed professorship in the English Department and fund student scholarships in English and the sciences.

Joseph Becker, who taught in the Chemistry Department for more than 30 years, described his longtime friend as a "brilliant" woman who enjoyed a simple life and embraced the students and friends she made at Montclair State. "I believe she wanted to help other students because of her own college experience," he said.

It is not unusual that alumni like Frazee-Baldassarre who hold a strong bond with Montclair State decide that planned giving is the best way to give back to their alma mater.

"Planned gifts ensure that the full measure of academic excellence, which has been the hallmark of Montclair State since its founding, is available for today's students and for future generations of students," said Thomas Haynes, vice president for University Advancement.

That's precisely why Hartmann also named Montclair State as a beneficiary in her trust. "I believe in giving back," said the 63-year-old financial planner at the Ohio-based Hartmann and Associates, an affiliate of Lincoln Financial Advisors. "I received a tremendous education at Montclair State and it's been invaluable in helping me get where I am today."

Marie Frazee-Baldassarre '43 '46 M.A.

Although Hartmann hasn't been to campus in 10 years, she "felt strongly enough about Montclair State and the education it gave me to include it in my trust."

As a financial adviser, Hartmann is a firm believer in charitable contributions to organizations that make a difference. "I like to see money go to where it can do the most good," she said. "And if you care about the future, Montclair State is a wonderful place to make a contribution because it really can make a difference."

Recalling her college days—a dean's list student living in Russ Hall earning 90 cents an hour as a student worker, competing nationally in lacrosse and in track and field, and being involved in several student organizations—Hartmann acknowledged that the life lessons she learned during her college days were as important as what she learned in the classroom. "Those lessons can do as much for you as anything you learn in class," she said. "And I hold a strong sense of gratitude for the people who helped and mentored me along the way and throughout my life. That's why it's important to reach back and help others."

And Hartmann is confident her money is going where it's needed. "Public institutions never have enough funding," she said.

For some alumni, a return to their alma mater sparks fond memories and an appreciation for the University's recent growth. Such was the case for Charles Magliaro '54 '58 M.A. who was on campus last year for an Alumni Superintendents Breakfast. "I was so impressed with the growth on campus and it reminded me how fortunate I was to go to school here," he said. "I got a great education and

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CAMPUS NEWS

Baryshnikov opens Kasser Theater

Internationally renowned performer Mikhail Baryshnikov officially opened the Alexander Kasser Theater with his performance in "Forbidden Christmas, or The Doctor and the Patient" written by Rezo Gabriadze. The Oct. 8-9 performances inaugurated the opening of the new 500-seat state-of-the-art theater located adjacent to the Red Hawk Deck.

Commissioned by Baryshnikov's White Oak Dance Project, "Forbidden Christmas" is the story of a Soviet sailor, Chito, played by Baryshnikov, who loses his sweetheart to someone who drives her off in a fancy car. The shock makes Chito believe he is an automobile, causing him to putter around his hometown.

Jedediah Wheeler, Montclair State's new executive director for Arts and Cultural Programming, said Baryshnikov's performance marked the beginning of a bold artistic venture at the University. "Artists who challenge the conventions of dance, music, theater and opera will be embraced, even heralded, resulting in performances that offer audiences unique experiences as well as the prospect for individual revelation," he said.

"At the heart of Montclair State's arts and cultural programming is the conviction that the academic community is the ideal place to move culture forward and to test the boundaries of conventional wisdom. My goal is to present as many examples of performance excellence as possible, including student and faculty work, underscoring the University as a creative campus that positively impacts New Jersey, the region and beyond."

Cole discusses challenges in higher education on "Caucus"

Montclair State University President Susan A. Cole recently joined Emmy Award-winning host Steve Adubato '80 of "Caucus: Up Close" to discuss the challenges facing public higher education and how New Jersey's colleges and universities are meeting those challenges. As president of New Jersey's second largest and fastest growing university, Dr. Cole spoke with Adubato about the important role New Jersey institutions play in the community. "Caucus" is the most widely viewed public affairs television program dealing with New Jersey issues. The episode featuring Dr. Cole aired over the summer.

Dukakis program filmed on campus to air on NJN

TheatreFest's Conversations Series program featuring Academy Award- and Golden Globe Award-winning actress Olympia Dukakis, taped on campus last fall, will air on New Jersey Network (NJN) Thursday, Oct. 21, at 9 p.m., and again Sunday, Oct. 24, at noon. The show was produced in the DuMont Television Center by Montclair State students under the direction of alumnus Jeff Friedman, a producer at NJN who teaches broadcasting on campus.

Dukakis, who in 1999 directed the TheatreFest production of "Do Not Disturb," talks about her best-selling memoir *Ask Me Again Tomorrow* and her New York theater project with husband Louis Zorich.

Hispanic Outlook honors MSU

For the seventh consecutive year, Montclair State University is on *Hispanic Outlook in Higher Education's* "Top 100" list of higher education institutions nationally in awarding bachelor's degrees to Hispanics.

According to the magazine's rankings, derived from data gathered by the Department of Education's National Center for Education Statistics, Montclair State awarded 280 bachelor's degrees to Hispanics in 2001-2002—ahead of such prestigious institutions as Pennsylvania State University's main campus, New York University, DePaul University and the University of Colorado at Boulder—to rank 66th nationally, up from last year's ranking, 78th.

"We need vision and visionaries," said publisher José Lopez-Isa. "We need enlightened perspectives, enlightened leaders. We need all the brilliance we can muster, and from all quarters, to get us through the challenges ahead. Higher education—affordable, accessible, and diversely populated—is critical to that mission."

"At Montclair State, we are proud that we represent the model higher education institution that Mr. Lopez-Isa calls for: affordable, accessible and diversely populated," said President Susan A. Cole. "We are passionate in our commitment to provide the very best education to an inclusive, multicultural student population."

Board welcomes new trustees

The Montclair State Board of Trustees welcomed four new members during the summer. Patrick LePore, executive vice president of Cardinal Health Inc., and student Kristin Shernoff, took the oath of office at the Board's June meeting. Shernoff, a junior ecology major, will serve a two-year term through May 31, 2006. Shernoff holds a minor in journalism, serves on the staff of *The Montclarion* and is a member of Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority.

In July, the Board welcomed trustees Ralph A. LaRossa, vice president, electric delivery, PSE&G; and William T. Mullen, president, New Jersey State Building & Construction Trades Council AFL-CIO, and business manager, Irons Workers Local 11.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Alumni Association memberships available

As of July 1, 2004, the Montclair State University Alumni Association (MSUAA) started down the path of self-sufficiency. As MSUAA President Wayne DeFeo wrote in the spring 2004 issue of *Alumni Life*, your membership helps to fund the Alumni Association programs, services and scholarships that make a difference.

As always, all alumni—members and non-members—will continue to receive *Alumni Life*, career services, invitations to alumni events and access to the MSU Alumni Online Community.

Alumni cards, which give you access to the library and athletic facilities, will be issued only to MSUAA members.

Two levels of MSUAA membership are available: MSUAA Pride Membership ($50) is an annual, renewable membership that supports traditional alumni services by contributing to the operating costs of the Alumni Association. MSUAA Life Memberships build the Alumni Association Endowment Fund. Interest earned on the endowment supports MSUAA scholarships and the Alumni Green, and also allows the Alumni Association to support University initiatives such as the restoration of the amphitheater.

For alumni who join during the first year of the program, Life Memberships are being offered at a 15-percent discount. This discount applies until June 30, 2005. Details on MSUAA memberships can be found on the alumni Web site, or call 973-655-4141 for information.

MSUAA memberships fund Alumni Association programs and services. Support of the MSUAA should not be confused with contributions to the MSU Annual Fund, which are applied toward the greatest needs of the University. While the MSUAA and the Annual Fund are separate, both rely on your continued support.

Affinity partnerships bring revenue

Alumni and the MSUAA benefit from affinity partnerships such as those with MBNA and Beneplace. For the past four years, revenue from the MBNA program has helped fund the restoration of the amphitheater. The addition of affinity partners such as Beneplace and COMPSolutions PEO promises increased self-sufficiency for the MSUAA.

Beneplace is a new section of the alumni Web site (www.montclair.edu/alumni) where you will find links to discounts and benefits for a growing list of products and services, including travel, auto club, financial services, consumer products, long-term care, pet insurance and a legal plan. The list of offerings continues to evolve, so check the site often.

New Executive Board sworn in

New MSUAA Executive Board members, Greg Collins '79, partner at Mitchell & Titus, LLP; Marie Sparks '95, program administrator for educational and community outreach for the MSU School of the Arts; Joseph Wasiuk '83, best practices director for FYI Technology Solutions, Parsippany; and Jennifer Connell '99, public relations specialist for PSE&G, were sworn to office at the annual meeting in May.

Cynthia Watson '99

Black Alumni Chapter Leadership Elected

Congratulations to the 2004-05 officers of the MSUAA Black Alumni Chapter: President Cynthia Watson '99, Executive Vice President Brenda Coleman-Caldwell '78, Vice President of Membership Diane Gipson '80 and Treasurer Gregory Collins '79.

Call for nominations and applications

It's nomination time and deadlines are approaching for the MSUAA's top awards.

The Alumni Association Alumni Citation Award: recognizes graduates who have demonstrated outstanding contributions to their community, the University, or their profession. Deadline for nominations is Dec. 1.

Diploma frames now available through The MSUAA

Montclair State University
Bachelor of Science
Montclair State University

Now you can display your Montclair State diploma in a beautifully handcrafted frame made available through the Alumni Association and the University Bookstore. The archival-quality frames include a gold-leaf embossed University seal and Italian hardwood moldings. A lithograph of the University is optional. You can view/purchase these frames at www.framingsuccess.com. Use Code NJ27-A Montclair State University.

Greeting future alumni... Michael Gabriel '75, a member of the Montclair State University Alumni Association Executive Board, and his sons Mike, 11, and Charles, 10, give students moving into the residence halls a refreshment break by distributing water and welcoming them with gifts courtesy of the Alumni Association.

Membership on the MSUAA Executive Board: deadline for nominations is Jan. 1, 2005.

The Outstanding Faculty Award: presented annually to an MSU tenured faculty member with 15 years of service to the University and who has demonstrated the highest level of professional achievement. Deadline for nominations is Feb. 1, 2005.

The MSUAA Legacy Scholarship: a full year's freshman tuition. High school seniors with a parent or grandparent who is an alumna/us of Montclair State are invited to apply. We encourage seniors to apply in January/February when they submit their FAFSA form. The scholarship application deadline is March 1, 2005.

For more information about these honors and awards, visit the MSU alumni Web site at www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Alumni Weekend 2005: A New Homecoming Tradition

All alumni looking forward to a major reunion in 2005 should shift their sites to October 2005. Beginning this year, the MSUAA will make Alumni Weekend part of the new Montclair State University Homecoming tradition. Alumni celebrating their 50th reunion and beyond will kick off their celebrations during "Come Back to College Day" in early April.

The success of class reunions—or reunions of other specific groups—depends upon the effort of individuals who volunteer to write a letter, e-mail or make a few phone calls to start a chain. If your class year ends in "0" or "5," or if you have another group you'd like to see during Alumni Weekend, we want to hear from you. The Office of Alumni Relations can help you reach out to old friends. Call us at 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

Eco-horseback tours or Greek folk dancing, anyone?

The Business Card Directory inside the Montclair State University Alumni Online Community is bursting with products and services. Visit www.msualumcommunity.com and click on the business directory. Not registered? e-mail alumni@mail.montclair.edu for a PIN number. Here's a sample of what you'll find there: accountants, acupuncture, artists, attorneys, discount cruises, doctorate research, event and party planning, gourmet coffee, and more.

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Oct. 15-17: Homecoming. See story on page 31 for details.

Nov. 1: Career Fair for Students and Alumni. 4-7 p.m., Student Center. Co-sponsored by the offices of Alumni Relations and Career Development, the Career Fair attracts employers with jobs for both entry-level and experienced employees. The event is free to alumni. A Virtual Career Fair will follow the Nov. 1 fair for individuals who were not able to attend. Find the Virtual Career Fair at www.montclair.edu/alumni.

Nov. 3: MSUAA Business Breakfast—COMPSolutions PEO, an Affinity Partner, invites members of MSUAA to a breakfast meeting 7:30–9:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn in Totowa. Bart Oates, Esq., former All-Pro Center and MVP for the New York Giants, will make opening remarks. Mark B. Boyd, Esq., former commissioner of the New Jersey Department of Labor, will discuss the issues of unemployment insurance, disability insurance and worker's compensation—areas that impact the bottom-line for small to mid-sized businesses. Marc C. Demetriou, senior vice president of Business Development at COMPSolutions PEO, will close the meeting with a question-and-answer period following a short presentation on the benefits business owners experience when partnering with a professional employer organization (PEO). To register, call 973-655-4141 or e-mail alumni@montclair.edu to reserve a place. Breakfast is free.

Watch the Web site for news about events still in planning stages, including:
New Jersey Devils: Two MSU nights are planned. Great discount on tickets. Members of the MSU community pay $35 for $52 seats. Go to www.montclair.edu/alumni and select "Events."
March 2005 Comedy Night for MSU Alumni at Rascal's in Montclair.
April 2005 Come Back to College Day (for alumni celebrating their 50th reunion and beyond).

Learning, playing and growing together

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our typically developing children to respect one another, to accept our individual differences and work and play with everyone," said Director Janey DeLuca. "So inclusion might not be a giant step for them."

The Child Care Center has been offering early childhood education in developmentally appropriate programs for children from 3 months to 6 years old since 1988.

Fear of the Unknown

While research and theory support the benefits of an inclusive learning environment, parents on both sides of the issue have their concerns. "Some parents of children with disabilities are worried that their children won't get the support they need because they haven't been in the mainstream since the beginning," said Spiotta. "They fear the unknown. And the only way that is ever going to change is when they see their children succeed."

On the other side, parents of typically developing children may fear their children will learn inappropriate behaviors or that the learning curve will be pulled down.

"For example," Spiotta said, "One of the behaviors sometimes seen in children who are on the spectrum of autism is hand flapping. A parent may fear that the other children will begin flapping as well. The fact is, if other children begin flapping, the child with autism would most likely stop. It actually becomes a mechanism to teach the autistic children not to do it. The typically developing children don't 'learn' to do that. There are many more interesting things to do than picking up those behaviors."

DeLuca and Spiotta assure parents that the quality of services at both programs will not diminish, but only get better. "We plan on continuing our developmentally appropriate program for children, continuing with our investigations, projects and themes, and with our mixed-age group belief that encourages children to be both teachers and learners," DeLuca said. "We believe the educational experiences will continue to be at the level of excellence expected by families and those experiences will be enriched with the inclusion of children with special needs."

The Children's Center as a model

Despite the laws and the information available about inclusion, there are limited options available to parents, especially in New Jersey. While there are child care centers that include children with special needs, statistics indicate it is not enough. "Across the state, the vast majority of preschoolers with disabilities are

A ceremonial groundbreaking for the new Children's Center was held June 16 with the students from the Child Care Center and Demonstration Preschool, and members of the campus community as they planted their shovels in a representative sandbox. Joining the children at the sandbox are, from left, Antoinette Spiotta, director of the Psychoeducational Center; Patty Wolters, certified occupational therapy assistant (COTA); Robert Iamello, principal, Tomaino, Tomaino, Iamello & Associates; Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Service; President Susan A. Cole; and Janey DeLuca, director of the Child Care Center.

still being placed in disabled preschool settings—78 percent compared with 64 percent nationally," said Lieb. "This is a problem because we know from research and experience that children with disabilities who are integrated in programs with typical peers engage in more frequent and advanced social and play behaviors, and benefit from modeling the advanced language abilities of their peers without disabilities."

Diana Autin is co-executive director of the Statewide Parent Advocacy Network of New Jersey, whose mission is to empower families, and inform and involve professionals and other individuals interested in the healthy development of education of children from birth through age 21. She says there are two factors for the lack of inclusive availability. "It is thought that children with disabilities, even with supports, can't be effectively served and their needs won't be met, and that including children with disabilities is much harder than serving children without. These are both misconceptions."

"The Children's Center will impact inclusive education by being a model of best practices that other fledgling programs can observe and learn from," said Lieb. "This knowledge is still in its infancy in New Jersey."

Autin is hopeful that with Montclair State being a leader in this area, others will follow. "People are unsure of how to proceed," she said. "There is a mindset that inclusion can't be effective and that research doesn't change practice. Having successful programs in place will make a difference."

Spiotta added, "What is unique about the new Children's Center is that it is a merging of early intervention services, special education services and child care services in an institution of higher learning for the purpose of professional development. I don't know of any other places that are taking that approach. So we are not providing services, but also are preparing a future generation of educators. That makes us quite different."

"This is a lighthouse program, a model not just for this area, but for this country."

Teachers of the future

Part of the missions of both the Demonstration Preschool and the Child Care Center has been to provide on-campus opportunities for University students to observe and participate in best care and education practices, and the Children's Center will expand that learning opportunity for students studying speech-language pathology; music, physical and occupational therapy; as well as early childhood and special education.

"Because of limited space at the Demonstration Preschool, we have only been able to bring in students specifically going into special education," explained Dr. Ada Beth Cutler, dean of the College of Education and Human Services. "One of the beauties about the new center is that it will accommodate approximately 400 students a year studying both special education and general education in an inclusive model setting."

This is a unique opportunity not only for the students, Cutler said, but for Montclair State to serve as a leader in teacher preparation as well. "It's rare for early childhood education students to benefit from an inclusive setting through fieldwork. Our students will be at the forefront. They'll understand how to work with children with and without diagnosed disabilities," she said. "This is a lighthouse program, a model not just for this area, but for this country."

Autin agrees. "Having the preparation in an inclusive early childhood setting will make our future teachers more effective and the classroom better for all children," she said.

Looking ahead

Looking toward the future, Debbie Franchi of Little Falls, mother to 14-month-old Ava, and 4-year-old Alex, who are students in the Child Care Center, anticipates a positive experience when her daughter moves forward in the inclusive environment of the Children's Center. "If some extra time is needed in certain situations for children with special needs, I don't believe my daughter will be behind in spelling or reading because of it," she said. "Instead, she'll learn a valuable life lesson by waiting for others and learning that group participation means just that. I don't want her in a place where everyone looks the same, talks the same, walks the same. Diversity is the reason I chose MSU child care for my children in the first place."

And by this time next year, Liam will be learning and playing alongside his peers. While he has already demonstrated amazing progress, his mother is anxiously anticipating all the new opportunities he will have in the Center and expects many more milestones for Liam. "I have no reservations," said Donohue. "We can't wait for it to happen."

Hot Discovery in Icy Waters

Sunset over the Southern Ocean

BY MARK S. PORTER

A research ship carrying scientists failed to reach its destination off the coastal shelf of Antarctica in the spring when the sea ice bobbing in the ocean grew too thick for the vessel to continue its cruise southward.

The research vessel on which they were aboard, the Laurence M. Gould, was ice-strengthened to withstand bumps and collisions with bobbing boulders of ice, but the Gould ran the risk of being trapped amid an endless expanse of frozen water as the days grew shorter, the temperatures colder, the weather more brutal.

The scientists, including Stefanie Brachfeld of Montclair State University's Department of Earth and Environmental Studies, sadly but wisely decided to scratch their journey to examine the breakup of a colossal ice shelf, the Larsen-B on the east side of the Antarctic Peninsula, due south of Argentina's Tierra del Fuego.

On an earlier cruise two years prior, while conducting sonar measurements, scientist Eugene Domack of Hamilton College in New York had discovered a "bump" in deep water. Aboard the Gould in 2004, Domack, Brachfeld and their colleagues decided to alter their mission and examine the protrusion.

Stefanie Brachfeld

"Gene suspected it was a volcano when he first mapped it," said Brachfeld, who was sitting near a bathymetric map, charting the shape of the Antarctic Sea ocean floor on the wall of her office. "At the time, he wasn't sure what it was made of."

Now they know.

The team discovered an active volcano that jutted 2,300 feet from the ocean floor and extended to about 900 feet from the surface of the Antarctic Sound off the northeastern tip of the Antarctic Peninsula, near Joinville Island.

The expedition members videotaped the sharply tapering undersea mountain with an underwater "SCUD" camera housed in a torpedo-shaped towed vessel. They also conducted temperature and sonar surveys.

"We towed a temperature sensor over it and the water was warm. Something was emitting," said Brachfeld.

The researchers gathered volcanic rock samples obtained with a dredge and students sieved the material, separating larger rocks and sediment for analysis. Gina Quiñones, an environmental science graduate student, was one of the seven students who joined the nearly 35 professors, scientists, technicians and ship's crew on the expedition, which was funded by the National Science Foundation's (NSF) Office of Polar Programs.

Sea spray and waves breaking over the ship build up ice on the back deck.

"All the chunks we pulled up were fresh and unaltered. There were no signs that glaciers ground or eroded it," Brachfeld noted of the dredged material.

In an e-mail sent from near Antarctica earlier in May, Brachfeld wrote, "This newly discovered volcano (as yet unnamed) is relatively far away from the few known active volcanoes in the Antarctic Peninsula region, which makes it puzzling but very exciting."

While the four-day voyage back to Punta Arenas through the Drake Passage, which Brachfield described as "some of the roughest ocean in the world," and the Straits of Magellan were wrought with rough seas, 20-knot winds and constant seasickness, Brachfeld said she loved the camaraderie aboard the Gould.

"That's one of the things I love most about being out there. Everyone gets to know everyone really well." Clad in a bright orange "Mustang" suit, a padded "float coat" with air pockets to keep a person afloat if swept overboard, Brachfeld often spent time on the Gould's bridge. "I loved being up on the bridge, watching the world go by."

Even in the "autumn" season of Antarctica, with only about seven hours of daily sunlight, science went on 24 hours a day aboard the Gould. "The chefs served four meals each day, including 'mid-rats,' or midnight rations," said Brachfield. "The food was great. It has to be. Morale would be terrible if the food wasn't good."

Future expeditions of the Gould and its sister ship, the Palmer, both stationed in Punta Arenas, Chile, will seek to determine why enormous slabs of ice shelf are breaking off from the coastline of Antarctica, the southernmost continent that is encased in ice. The 3,500-square-kilometer Larsen-B Ice Shelf began breaking off on Jan. 31, 2002.

"The ice shelves started breaking up about 60 years ago, but they've been doing it catastrophically in the past decade," she said. "Before we can determine whether the things we observe today are normal and natural, we need to determine what 'normal' and 'natural' are."

Thomas Wagner, program director of the NSF's Antarctic and Geophysics Program, hailed the expedition's discovery. "It's an active volcano. The rocks they dredged up were fresh," Wagner said from his office in Arlington, Va. "We're trying to understand how climate works and how climate has changed. There's something happening in the deep earth to generate magma."

The Antarctic and Geophysics Program annually accepts proposals from scientists to provide funding for their research in Antarctica. "It's very competitive," said Wagner. "We accept less than a third of the proposals we receive. Our role is to make sure the best research happens."

In addition to advancing science, Wagner said the NSF seeks to encourage students to pursue scientific careers. "We want the best and the brightest to go on in science," he said.

Asked whether his office intends to name the newly verified volcano, Wagner said, "The researchers usually get to name those things."

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LAURENCE M. GOULD

The Laurence M. Gould, at the docks in Punta Arenas, Chile.

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Digital photos should be sized at a minimum of four inches at the shortest dimension (4x6, 4x4, 4x5, whatever the aspect ratio of the camera in use), at 300 dpi saved as a jpeg file at level 6 or higher quality.

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Helen Blauvelt celebrated her 107th birthday in July with a visit from Paramus Mayor James Tedesco III, and congratulatory letters from President George W. Bush and New Jersey Gov. James E. McGreevey. A retired teacher and genealogy buff, Blauvelt enjoyed her birthday with family and friends at the DellRidge Health and Rehabilitation Center where she has lived the past 12 years. Blauvelt, who taught fourth grade in Westwood public schools for more than 30 years, received a teaching certificate from the Montclair Normal School.

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Eleanor Pedersen Craig '34 M.A. was featured in an article in the *Florida Herald Tribune* headlined "Patriotic Family Tree." After retiring from teaching English at Clifton High School for 35 years, Craig became interested in lineage research and has spent the past few years volunteering in the genealogical section of the Venice, Fla. Library. She has two privately produced books on her family's history.

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Ella M. Haver, a retired teacher, serves as president and permanent member of the Jennie M. Haver Memorial Scholarship Fund, established in 1956 by the Hunterdon County Council of Parents and Teachers. Jennie was the first "helping teacher" in the state and county, serving from 1916 to 1950. To date, $70,000 in scholarships have been awarded.

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Carolyn M. Campbell co-authored *Chickaree in the Wall: A History of One-Room Schools in Ocean County, N.J.*, a comprehensive book on the development of the educational system. The book will be featured in an exhibit about the era at the Ocean County Historical Society's Museum in Toms River.

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Ed Bradley

Ed Bradley, a CEO of the New Jersey Fitness and Sports Foundation, founder of "No-Shows for Charity-Shows" and a member of the Board of Directors of the Make-A-Wish Foundation, acquires "no-show" tickets to sporting events and distributes them to children with life-threatening illnesses. Bradley scored the last two tickets to game six of the 2003 World Series for a boy from Neshantic Station from the owner of the New York Yankees, George Steinbrenner. *Panzer*

Phyllis F. Schultz '54 M.A. performs for senior residences, nursing homes, religious groups, women's clubs, and civic and fraternal organizations. A retired teacher, Schultz is a lyric contralto, and accomplished on the zither and the auto-harp. Her music includes classical and popular music, lullabies, hymns and folk songs.

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Emily Pash Lummer

Emily Pash Lummer participated in the March for Women's Lives in Washington, D.C. in April. She spends her time swimming and playing chess at the YMCA, and volunteering in the Reading Partners Program at the Madison Public Library.

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Ina Friedman Light had her watercolors, "Visions and Visages," on exhibit at the Waltuch Gallery at the JCC on the Palisades. Through the medium of watercolor, light conveys images of landscapes, people, animals, flowers and more. She has studied with noted artists such as Virginia Alvarez, Judi Betts, Candi Feinberg, Eli Rosenthal and others.

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Anthony Yankovich, superintendent of schools in West New York for the past six years, was inducted into the Hudson County Sports Hall of Fame. Before Yankovich became a school administrator, he was a long-time teacher and coach in the West New York School system, beginning his career as a physical education teacher and coach at Memorial High School. Yankovich was a 1,000-point scorer at Panzer College, where he led the basketball team to two National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics championships. *Panzer*

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The Warren Township Middle School gymnasium was named in memory of **William Schmeisser**, who passed away in September 2003. Schmeisser taught social studies, specializing in the Civil War, for 44 years in the district. His wife of 44 years, Gail Purchase Schmeisser, was at the June 17 dedication.

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John A. Koumoulides '61 M.A., a professor in the History Department at Ball State University in Muncie, Ind., was honored by the Holy Synod of the Church of Greece with the

Medal of St. Paul for his efforts in promoting the history of Greece in America. In 1980 Koumoulides received Montclair State's Alumni Citation Award for "upholding the highest traditions of education, of citizenship and of group loyalty whose contributions to the life of the community and state have been noteworthy."

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Marie Hakim '66 M.A., president of the Clifton Board of Education, participated in the National School Boards Association Federal Relations Network trip to Washington, D.C., to deliver an education advocacy message to Congress. Hakim has been on the Clifton Board of Education for 14 years and is serving her third term as president. She is the first vice president of the Passaic County School Boards Association, serves on the New Jersey School Board Association's Legislative and Resolution Committees, is a member of Congressman Bill Pascrell's Education Advisory Council and serves on the Passaic County Professional Development Board. Retired after teaching Health and Physical Education for 34 years in the Paramus School District, she is an adjunct professor at William Paterson University. *Panzer*

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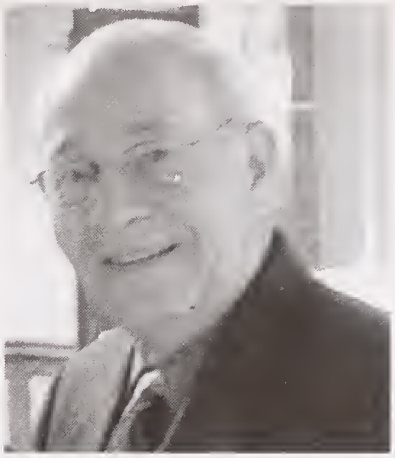
Kenneth Kaplowitz served as a juror for the Phillips' Mill Photographic Exhibition in New Hope, Pa. Kaplowitz is an associate professor of art at The College of New Jersey, where he served as director of the photography program for 21 years. He coordinated the Mercer County Photography Exhibition for six years. Kaplowitz also has been featured in 34 one-person exhibitions in the United States and abroad, including a recent exhibition at the Montgomery Center for the Arts, and his work has been shown in 90 group exhibitions. He's won numerous awards, including a fellowship from the New Jersey Council on the Arts. *Panzer*



Dr. Frederick Prisco Jr.

Dr. Frederick Prisco Jr. M.A. was granted professor emeritus status at Bergen Community College (BCC). As BCC's first director of Admissions and Registrar, Prisco had the opportunity to admit the first student to Bergen and to register the first class of 1,300 students admitted in 1968. Prisco recently retired as full professor having taught within the academic specialty of information technology.

John Scanlon

John Scanlon was selected by the Junior Achievement of Southwest Florida as laureate in the 2004 Lee County Business Leadership Hall of Fame. Laureates are selected based upon their entrepreneurial achievements, status as role models for youth and business peers in ethical and moral conduct, and accomplishments as community leaders. Scanlon also is a member of the Alexis de Tocqueville Society through the United Way of Lee County. *Gulfshore Life* magazine named his auto group one of Southwest Florida's "Top Companies" in its July issue.

Donald Shandler '68 M.A. was named dean of Graduate and Continued Learning by Wilkes University in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Shandler joins Wilkes with more than 25 years of experience in academic administration, program management, strategic marketing, business development and university teaching. He previously served as director of Academic Affairs and University Relations for the United States Department of Agriculture Graduate School in Washington, D.C. Shandler has written and presented several papers in the areas of continuing education and competency-based learning and is working on his fourth book due out in 2005, *New Mindsets for Flexible Employment: Changing Organizations and Psychological Contracts.*

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John W. Parish, a health teacher at Ridgewood High School, retired after 38 years of teaching, 33 of which were in Ridgewood. He also served as boys' and girls' track coach and as a volleyball coach.

Blanche Conover Sampietro Wells '72 M.A. is a school counselor at Bessey Creek Elementary School in Palm City, Fla. Three years ago, she began the school-wide implementation of Dr. Becky Bailey's Conscious Discipline Program, a complete classroom management and emotional literacy program that is fully integrated into children's everyday lives. In a competition open to public and private K-12 schools nationwide, Bessey Creek was named one of the Top 10 National Schools of Character based on Wells' work.

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Marilynne Canter Yeakley and **John Yeakley '68** are enjoying their 10th year of retirement in Chino Valley, Ariz. where they keep busy with travel and volunteer work.

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Linda Sue Galate M.A., fellow of the Casperson School of Graduate Studies at Drew University, published an essay, "Early Christian Iconography," in *Near Eastern Archaeology*. She also presented a paper, "Paleochristian Rome: Public Anathema, Private Celebration," at a symposium at the Gallery at the American Biblical Society in New York. Galate also presented a paper on pedagogical levels in ante pacem art at the Society of Biblical Literature/American Academy of Religion mid-Atlantic conference in Baltimore.

John R. Kirchberger '70 M.A., Hanover High School principal, retired after 37 years in the Hanover Park Regional High School District. Kirchberger came to Hanover Park as a teacher of earth science and biology in 1967 and has served the district as a coach, an assistant principal and principal of Whippany Park High School for nearly 12 years and Hanover Park High School for eight.

Winifred H. Steele-Burnett '71 M.A. retired from Rumson-Fair Haven Regional High School after teaching French for 36 years in the public high schools of New Jersey.

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Gilda Ignelzi Brower was profiled by the *Post-Standard* of Syracuse, N.Y. in a story on Montessori teachers. Brower studied Montessori education in New York City and has taught it for 31 years. She opened the first Montessori school in Auburn, N.Y. 23 years ago.

Edward Franko was named principal of Hanover Park High School. For 18 years, Franko has been the regional district's supervisor of technical studies, including science and mathematics.

Edmund A. Moderacki celebrated his 25th anniversary as conductor of the Waldwick Band with a concert at the Crescent School in Waldwick. Moderacki has conducted the band in more than 350 appearances throughout the metropolitan area. A music teacher in the River Vale public schools, Moderacki is the president of the Music Educators of Bergen County, Inc. and the assistant conductor of the Ridgewood Symphony Orchestra.

David Naylor '74 M.A. recently became a Livingston police officer. Naylor began his law enforcement career as a member of the Livingston Auxiliary Police and graduated from the Cape May County Police Academy in 1999. After a year with the Oxford Township Police, Naylor transferred to the Mendham Township Police Department in 2001 before returning to his hometown in 2004.

Vaughn Vandegrift '70 M.A. was named chancellor for Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville. Vandegrift served at Montclair State for 12 years, first as a professor and later as dean of the College of Science and Mathematics. He became the first provost and vice president for academic affairs at Georgia Southern University in 2000.

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Jean Taylor Decker '96 M.A. retired after 34 years of teaching physical education/health at Lakeland Regional High School.

Nadine Udall Fischer co-wrote *The Map to Clear Messages, Conversations with a Wizard and a Warrior* with Brian Baldinger, a game analyst for the National Football League on the Fox network. The book is a guide for developing better personal and professional communication skills using simple strategies and insights for people who want to get their message across.

Janet Sobkowicz is celebrating her 25th anniversary as a councilwoman in Washington Township in Bergen County, where she works with municipal budgets and legislation. Sobkowicz is a supervisor of related arts and social studies in the Waldwick Public School system.

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Charles Maranzano was named acting superintendent of Dinwiddie School System in Virginia. Maranzano has been assistant superintendent for administration since last August. He is president of the Virginia Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development and chair of the Virginia Education Coalition. Maranzano began his career in public education as a middle school teacher in 1970.

Nancy DeMattia Ressetar has been included in *Who's Who American Teachers* and in *Who's Who in America*. Ressetar teaches Spanish at Clifton High School, where she has been teaching for 34 years and is a recipient of the 1996 New Jersey Governor's Award for Excellence in Teaching.

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Karla Lake, who served as the artistic director of the Warren County Community Singers, directed her last concert for the group in May. Director of the group since its first concert in 1993, Lake is the director of music for St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Easton. She has had a 20-year relationship with the Country Gate Players of Belvidere as musical director and player, and for the past three years has served as accompanist and vocal coach for the theater arts program at the Warren County Technical School.

Giacomo M. Oliva '75 M.A., professor of music and dean of the Hixson-Lied College of Fine and Performing Arts at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, is serving a two-year term as president of the International Society for Music Education.

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Vincent R. Saladini

Vincent R. Saladini M.A. has written a book, *The Tailor's Thread: An Italian-American Legacy*. The book, dedicated to his father, Pasquale Saladini, an Italian immigrant who worked in the West Virginia limestone mines, gives readers a glimpse at the life of immigrants and their daily fight to survive.

Sharon L. Toriello M.A. was named New Jersey High School Principal of the Year by MetLife/National Association of Secondary School Principals in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Education. Toriello has been principal of the 540-student Kinnelon High School for almost five years.

Bonnie L. Yegidis was named provost and vice president for Academic Affairs at Florida Gulf Coast University. She recently served as associate vice president and associate provost at the University of Georgia. Yegidis, who will be the third person in the history of the school to take the position, also will be a full professor of social work.

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John S. Bergmann '77 M.A. was named to the Scientific Advisory Board of HepaLife, a development stage biotechnology company. He is a senior research associate and laboratory manager with the Department of Human Biological Chemistry and Genetics at the University of Texas Medical Branch. With 30 years of scientific research experience, Bergmann's work has been extensively published in both abstract and peer-reviewed journals.

James T. Higgins

James T. Higgins was appointed chief executive officer of Bon Secours New York Health System in Riverdale, N.Y., one of the largest Catholic healthcare systems with 15 local systems in nine states.

Nicholas Bratsafolis, chair of Homebridge Mortgage Bankers, opened a firm in Illinois and is hoping to gain licenses in 15 states. Bratsafolis also has a law practice in which he serves as U.S. counsel to a major Greek shipping firm, in addition to providing legal counsel to affiliated real estate companies and serving as general counsel for Hometrust Mortgage Bankers.

Louise C. Hall was promoted to vice president/controller at Hilltop Community Bank in Summit. Hall has been an officer of the bank since its inception in February 2000, serving as vice president of administration.

Nicholas J. Lardieri was appointed senior vice president, retail lending, at Fair Lawn-based Columbia Bank. Lardieri, who joined the bank in 1977, most recently served as senior vice president, consumer lending.

Michael Little was selected to be deputy inspector general of investigations for the Office of Inspector General (OIG) at the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in Washington, D.C. Little, who has been with the OIG for 26 years, will supervise the activities of 500 employees conducting investigations into fraud, waste and abuse in Medicare and other federal programs.

Karla L. McQuilla-Goines '80 M.A. was honored at the annual Freedom Fund dinner, "Celebrating Strength and Courage," sponsored by the Bayonne branch of the NAACP. McQuilla-Goines, who was the recipient of the 2004 Who's Who Among America's Teachers Award, has served as vice principal of Bayonne High School House 4 since 2000. An employee of the Bayonne school district since 1974, she also serves as adviser to the Bayonne High School Ebony Culture Club.

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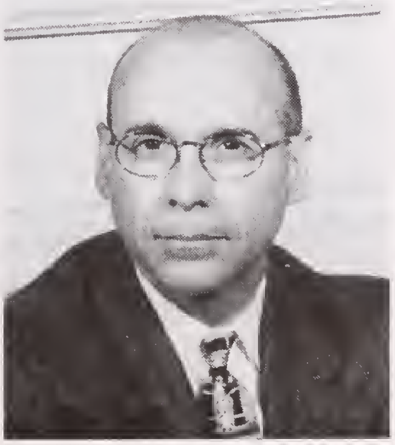

Angelo J. Genova, Esq.

Angelo J. Genova, Esq. received the Lifetime Achievement Award for Law by the Center for Italian and Italian-American Culture, Inc. Genova is a senior partner of the law firm Genova, Burns & Vernoia in Livingston. He has practiced labor and employment law for more than two decades and has been cited since 1989 in every published edition of *The Best Lawyers in America* in the category of labor and employment law. An active lecturer, Genova is also co-editor of *New Jersey Labor and Employment Law*, a publication of the N.J. Institute of Continuing Legal Education and serves as a member of the editorial board of *New Jersey Lawyer*. He is a vice-chair of the Montclair State University Foundation Board.

Frank H. Douglas M.A. was elected senior vice president and casualty actuary of American International Group, Inc. (AIG) in New York. Douglas joined AIG in 1980 where he has served as vice president and actuary for American International Underwriters, AIG's international property-casualty insurance operation. He was elected AIG vice president and casualty actuary in 2000.

Terrance D. Moore, a third-grade teacher at Stillman School in Tenafly, was nominated for State Teacher of the Year. Co-sponsored by the Council of Chief State School Officers and Scholastic, Inc., the award recognizes educators who are leaders at school, district, state and/or national levels; who implement effective teaching techniques; and who demonstrate outstanding interpersonal skills. Moore has been at Stillman since 1986 and has worked as a teacher and counselor.

Peter J. Potochney, director of the U.S. Department of Housing, received the Presidential Rank Award of Meritorious Executive from President George W. Bush. This is the highest award a career federal employee can receive and recognizes outstanding leaders who consistently demonstrate strength, integrity, industry and a relentless commitment to public service.

Douglas Rallo presented a lecture on workers' compensation law to the Blue Island Chamber of Commerce in Illinois. He also was listed in the 13th edition of Marquis *Who's Who in American Law* as well as the 58th edition of *Who's Who in America.*

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Frank Alvarez, superintendent of Montclair's public schools, is the recipient of Montclair State University's Allan Morehead Memorial Award. The award, presented by the College of Education and Human Services, is given to a Montclair State graduate who has made significant contributions through school or higher education administration. Alvarez also serves as vice president of the MSU Alumni Association.

Caren Cunningham Cocuzza was named Teacher of the Year at Whippany Park High School, where she's taught home and consumer economics since 1987. Cocuzza heads the Whippany Park School Climate Committee and is active in the diversity, volunteerism and student service aspect of the committee's work.

Darrell A. Jackson M.A. was named principal of Fisher Middle School in Ewing. Jackson served as Fisher's vice principal during the 1997-98 school year and most recently as principal of Freehold Intermediate School. He is working on an education doctorate at Rutgers University.

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Gregory Coda was appointed senior vice president and business unit leader of the National Accounts Group within the American Re-Insurance Company's Direct Treaty division in Princeton. Coda previously was senior vice president at John P. Woods Co., Inc. where he was responsible for the production and servicing of property and casualty treaty reinsurance business.

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Sylvia Belinfante Abdel was named the 2004 Outstanding Speech and Theatre Teacher in New Jersey, a Governor in Arts Education award presented by Gov. James McGreevey and the Arts Alliance in Education. Abdel has taught at Butler High School for 25 years in the areas of English, speech and theater, and is the adviser to the drama club, junior class and prom committee.

Paul Nobbs

Paul Nobbs is the managing director of The Outsourcing Partnership, a leading provider of internal auditing, information technology auditing and other risk management services. Nobbs has more than 25 years of managerial and internal audit experience within the financial, commercial, higher education and hospitality industries. Prior to joining The Outsourcing Partnership, Nobbs, a certified public accountant, was the chief financial officer for Knickerbocker LLC in Gladstone, an investment management company.

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Gregory Collins was elected vice president of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) for a one-year term. Collins, a partner at Mitchell & Titus LLP, New York, joined the NJSCPA in 1983. Collins also serves Montclair State as a member of its Foundation Board, the Alumni Association Board, and as treasurer for the Black Alumni Chapter.

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Beverly L. Boyarsky was named Outstanding Communications Executive, Not-For-Profit, by the Long Island Business News and Long Island Advertising Club. Boyarsky is the director of Public Affairs for Winthrop-University Hospital. She is a frequent lecturer and author of the Media Relations monthly column for LongIsland.com.

Nancy Bergman Pantirer M.A. participated in the Tribeca Open Artist Studio Tour. Artists with studios in and near the Tribeca area of New York City opened their studios to the public for viewing and purchase. Pantirer's works have been exhibited throughout the country including at the White House. Her sculpture can be viewed in the permanent collection of the National Arts Club, among other venues.

Wayne Peragallo, vice president of information systems for the *Home News Tribune* and several other Gannett New Jersey newspapers, received the President's Ring for outstanding performance from Gannett Co., Inc. for the third consecutive year.

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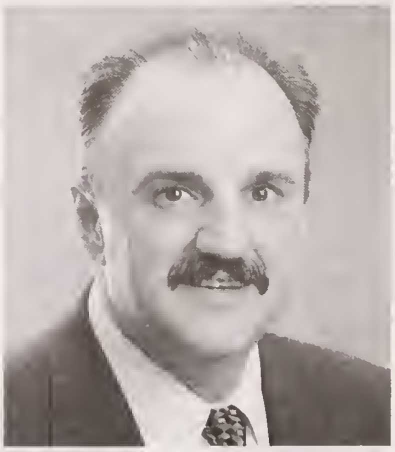
Kevin Lee Allen received the L. Howard Fox Award, presented annually by Montclair State University's Department of Theatre and Dance. The award, named after the founding chair of the department, is given to alumni who dedicate their talents to the school's students and show outstanding performance in a chosen field. Allen owns Kevin Allen Design in Montclair.

Edward F. Davis '90 M.A. received the Outstanding Elementary Teacher of the Year Award from the New Jersey Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.



Paul L. Endler Jr.

Paul L. Endler Jr., a trial lawyer, joined the law firm of Lindabury, McCormick & Estabrook in Westfield. Endler, who is president-elect of the Union County Bar Association, has extensive courtroom experience with 20 years as a litigation attorney.

Victoria S. Kniewel M.A. was named assistant superintendent by the West Windsor-Plainsboro Regional School Board. Kniewel was the assistant superintendent of curriculum and instruction at the North Salem, N.Y. school district since 2000. She also served as principal of Ridgewood High School and assistant superintendent at the Ho-Ho-Kus school district.

Anthony S. Pecci was named senior associate at Dewberry, a consulting firm, where he is the assistant manager of construction services in the firm's northeast region. He is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, the New Jersey Society of Asphalt Technologists and the American Concrete Institute.

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Cynthia Hopper was named Educator of the Year in Cape Coral, Fla. She joined the Providence Christian School faculty three years ago after eight years of teaching in New Jersey schools and three years in Cape Coral. Hopper recently completed a 60-credit in-service classroom management component in the school's Master In-Service Program.

John Shinnick was elected to serve a seventh term as chair of the Hudson County Improvement Authority (HCIA) board. Shinnick is associate vice president of Human Resources and Communications at Hudson County Community College. He has served on the HCIA board for nine years and sits on the board of Hudson Cradle, the Secaucus Youth Alliance and the Secaucus Public Library.

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Lucia Capozzoli was named one of the top 37 New Jersey female executives by the Executive Women of New Jersey organization. Capozzoli is principal in the enterprise risk services of Deloitte. She has more than 20 years of public accounting and internal auditing experience in information systems auditing. She is also the northeast leader of the Women's Initiative, serves on the board of the Aurora Foundation, is a youth leader at her local church and has served as treasurer of her local home school association.

Margaret M. Filippelli was named a principal at the accounting firm Schonbraun Safris McCann Bekritsky & Co. LLC in Roseland. Filippelli, who has been with the firm since 1989, has 21 years of experience in accounting.

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Paul A. Heilmann joined Columbia Bank as a senior vice president, commercial lender. He is chair of the Commercial Lending Committee of the New Jersey League of Community and Savings Bankers and is a former director of the Property Owners Association of New Jersey.

Donna I. Mugavero was appointed to the Board of Governors of Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway. She is co-owner and chief information/financial officer of VIA Data & Marketing, and co-owner and senior consultant of Shared Learning. Mugavero is also an adjunct professor at Rutgers University Graduate School of Management, a certified trainer for the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners, and an assessor with the Seton Hall University Stillman School of Business.

Steven Purciello M.A. was named assistant principal of Glen Rock High School. A former social studies teacher, Purciello served as athletic director at New Milford High School since 1999 and was the boys' basketball coach in Garfield.

Douglas West was appointed chief financial officer for Diversified Security Solutions, Inc. based in Saddle Brook. His career spans 20 years with companies such as Ernst & Young, American Cyanamid, Danka Business Systems and A&E Products Group.

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Albena A. Gargiulo was appointed assistant treasurer/credit manager at Livingston-based NorCrown Bank. Gargiulo will be responsible for underwriting all commercial loans of $1 million or more and will oversee the business loan department.

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Evelyn Jane Gallucci M.A., chair of the Pinellas School Board in Florida, was named secretary-treasurer of the National School Boards Association. Gallucci, a Pinellas board member since 1986, has been a member of the national board of directors since 2001. Formerly a School Board member in Rockaway, Gallucci served as president of the Florida School Boards Association in 2000.

Barry A. Goodmann, a freelance writer and poet, won the adult category of the Japan-U.S. 150th Anniversary Haiku Contest with his poem, "Autumn Moon." The winning poem earned Goodman round-trip airfare for two to Japan. Goodman has written poetry, essays, humor and other forms of creative writing for almost two decades. His haiku, which often capture scenes of New York City and New Jersey, have been published online as well as in various American and Japanese publications.

David F. Nunez joined First Morris Bank and Trust in Morristown as vice president and commercial loan officer. Nunez previously served as vice president and loan officer of Fleet Capital.

Rebeca Portier Peraza was named assistant vice president, branch sales manager of the Provident Bank's office in West New York where she is responsible for business development, sales operations and customer service. Peraza is a recipient of the President's Club Award, a Provident program that recognizes outstanding performance.

Jeanne A. Thoma, sales manager for BASF's Pharma Solutions business in North America, received the Tribute to Women and Industry award from the Young Women's Christian Association of Central New Jersey. Thoma was recognized for her outstanding work in helping BASF's Pharma Solutions business establish a foundation for future pharmaceutical ingredients business in Puerto Rico.

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Maureen Freeburg Connolly co-authored a book, *The Essential C-Section Guide: Pain Control, Healing at Home, Getting Your Body Back—And Everything Else You Need to Know About a C-Section Delivery.* Connolly has served on the staffs of *Parenting*, *Family Circle*, *Self* and *Woman's Day*, and was a contributing writer/editor for venues such as *The New York Times Women's Magazines*, babycenter.com and YourBabyToday.com. Her articles have appeared in *Redbook*, *Parenting*, *Parents*, *Health* and *Family Circle*.

Mariellen Dugan, a former federal prosecutor and current chief of staff to Attorney General Peter C. Harvey, was named first assistant attorney general. Dugan has been serving in the capacity of chief of staff, executive assistant attorney general since February. Prior to her appointment, she was counsel for the Newark law firm of Kevin H. Marino, P.C.

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Richard C. Fonti teaches personal financial management at South Plainfield High School. The course covers practical life skills such as balancing checking accounts, leasing and buying cars, and maintaining good credit. Four students from his class captured the state grand prize in the third annual New Jersey Student Stock Market Championship, sponsored by Gannett New Jersey Newspapers.

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Howard Hyde, CPA, joined the accounting firm Weber, Shapiro & Co. in Ramsey, as senior manager. Hyde has 14 years of experience in tax and accounting services, specializing in small, family-run businesses. He is a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New Jersey Society of CPAs, and serves on the legislative committee of the New Jersey Commerce and Industry Association.

John "Ace" Lane Jr. had his photographs on display as part of an exhibit at the Paterson Museum dedicated to midget car racing. Included in the exhibit are photos by Lane's father, John Lane Sr., who was a nationally known race car photographer. Lane Jr. is also a sports photographer who twice won a sports photography award named for his father.

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Domenic DeStefano completed a yearlong project management certificate program sponsored by the Department of Veterans Affairs and George Washington University. DeStefano, who received a Level III certification, works for the Department of Veterans Affairs, Compensation and Pension Service in Washington, D.C.

Georgiann Gongora M.A. was named principal of Franklin Avenue Middle School in Franklin Lakes. Gongora recently served as principal of the Haskell Elementary School in Wanaque. She began her career in education as a social studies teacher at Lakeland Regional High School.

David Minsavage M.A., a mathematics teacher at Hanover Park High School, was named Teacher of the Year. Minsavage began teaching at Hanover Park in 1990. He teaches advanced placement calculus, math seminar and college prep algebra. He is also Hanover Park's head baseball coach, and has served as the head boys' soccer coach and assistant baseball coach.

Tamara Freeman M.A. was featured in an article, headlined "Saddle River violinist is expert in Holocaust music," which appeared in the *Town Journal* of Franklin Lakes. Freeman has been a music educator for more than two decades and has taught instrumental music and conducted bands and orchestras in Ridgewood public schools. She teaches at the Somerville and Orchard schools and is the orchestra director at the Garden State Academy of Music in Rutherford.

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Jill Cucci-Smith, a mixed-media artist, paints murals for businesses and homes, and gives private art instruction. She previously taught photography, graphics and ceramics at Ocean City High School for five years.

Dennis Green M.A. has been named director of the Woodbridge Township Health Department, where he has been employed for 18 years. He previously served as senior health inspector.

Yosef "Yosi" Levin M.A. is a composer and performer of children's songs who has released three albums, "Little Kitty," "Monkey Business" and "Under a Big Bright Yellow Umbrella." Prior to his musical career, Yosi spent 10 years working as a licensed family therapist. He now performs more than 450 children's shows each year.

Corinne M. McKeown '94 M.A. joined Re/Max Integrity Realtors as a sales associate. As the South County specialist, McKeown services all of Southern Berkshire County, Mass. She holds the Certified Buyers Representative professional designation and is a member of the Council of Residential Specialists, National Association of Realtors and Massachusetts Association of Realtors.

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Marc M. DeLorenzo is a scientist with the Pharmacogenomics group of the Schering-Plough Research Institute in Kenilworth. He's worked at Schering-Plough for the past 12 years starting as a Montclair State co-op student while completing a degree in biology.

Lenore Imhof, a teacher and attorney, is a cyclist on the ColaVita Olive Oil Professional Cycling Team. She has been at the top rankings of various cycling state championships and is a competitive masters swimmer. Imhof began competitive cycling in 1993.

Giorgianna Manderioli works as an artist/painter for home decorating and personal needs such as invitations, announcements and greeting cards. She also writes catalogs, brochures and articles.

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Douglas A. Pfister M.A. is a State Farm insurance agent in Caldwell. He has more than 18 years of insurance experience.

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Imad Abedrabbo was a panelist for the symposium, "Through Our Eyes," sponsored by the Paterson Education Fund in celebration of the historic Brown vs. Board of Education ruling. Abedrabbo spoke about emigrating from Palestine after finishing the sixth grade.

Gabriel Bravo, Air Force Reserve Airman 1st Class, graduated from basic military training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

Kari Denton is the creator of the franchise, Fun Bus U.S.A., a mobile fitness center providing 30-minute programs for young children. Denton, who previously ran a day care center, operates the business, which features a lime green bus converted to feature tumbling mats, trampolines, barrels, ladders, climbing shapes and more in its interior.

Darlene Grasso '01 M.A. is the nutrition manager of the newly established nutrition department at CAN DO, a martial arts/health and fitness club in Wayne. A former family and consumer science educator at Rutgers Cooperative Extension in Morris County, Grasso has more than 10 years of clinical nutrition experience. Prior to her work with Rutgers Cooperative Extension, Grasso taught undergraduate nutrition courses at Montclair State and worked as a staff nutritionist at the Alternative Adolescent Counseling Center in Livingston.

Judah Hamer was featured in the *New Jersey Jewish Standard* article, "New Jews talk about their choice," stories of people who recently chose Judaism.

Hamer, who recently became a Reconstructionist Jew, is pursuing a doctorate in information and library studies at Rutgers University.

Diana Hsu Kung M.A. had 25 of her watercolor and ink paintings displayed at the Watchung Arts Center. She is known for her large scale/oil abstract paintings. Kung combines Chinese traditional brushwork techniques and Western watercolor skills, and interplays Oriental and Western ideas to create an art form all her own. She also teaches Chinese brush painting to adults and children in the Murray Hill Chinese School.

James C. Thalman starred in "Necropolis" in New York City, a two-character short play set in a hotel room. Thalman played Post, an American journalist covering the hardships and struggles of a war-torn country. He recently returned from Los Angeles where he participated in four independent features and two stage shows, including "Necropolis."

Derek VanVolkom

Derek VanVolkom was promoted to account supervisor at Lanmark Group, Inc., a full-service healthcare advertising, marketing and communications agency located in Eatontown. He's served as an account executive with Lanmark Group for five years.

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Christopher Phillips M.A. wrote his third book, *Six Questions of Socrates: A Modern-Day Journey of Discovery through World Philosophy*, which tells how he traveled the world to hold dialogues with people of all backgrounds on the original six questions posed by Socrates. Phillips, once a writer for magazines such as *Parade* and *Reader's Digest*, originated Socrates Café in 1996, a network of philosophical discussion groups held in coffee houses, libraries, schools, youth centers and shelters.

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Victoria Stickles, a third-grade teacher at High Mountain Road School in Franklin Lakes, was named Governor's Teacher of the Year. Teaching is a second career for Stickles, who worked as a secretary for 20 years.

Donna Vincenzino was named director of the Lyndhurst Library. She became inspired to pursue a library career while working at the Lyndhurst Library as a page in high school. Vincenzino also served as young adult librarian at Nutley Public Library.

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Craig R. Reeves Jr. was hired as a Caldwell borough police officer. He's a graduate of the Morris County Fire and Police Academy in Morristown and previously worked as a police dispatcher in Emerson.

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Justin D. Vogel was named senior accountant in the Red Bank branch of the accounting and consulting firm Withum Smith & Brown.

Tiffany K. Palisi

Tiffany K. Palisi published her first book, *Mama's World: Essays from the Inside Out*, a collection of essays on her experience as a mother-at-home who is still living in the outside world. She is editor of the book, *Loving Mama: Essays on Natural Parenting and Motherhood.*

01

Annette Sambolin M.A. has written a book, *The New Jersey School of Conservation (SOC) from 1949 to 1999—Fifty Years of Educational Services to Nature and Society*. The book includes recollections from herself, students and professors at Montclair State's New Jersey School of Conservation. The narrative includes memories of activities and events as well as comments about the extended philosophical impact of the SOC experience on participants' lives over the past five decades.

Joann Scheffler M.A. was hired as a learning disabilities consultant for the child study team for the Hanover Park regional school district. She formerly worked in the same capacity for the Bloomfield public school system.

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Caryn Kronen served as an elementary leave replacement teacher at Franklin School in Summit.

Devin C. Riley joined Churchill Communications, a subsidiary of the FJ Rodino Healthcare Group, LLC, as director of information technologies. Riley previously served as an information technology manager at Quadrank Healthcom.

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Ariana A. Diaz joined the Lifeline Program, a life insurance policy settlement company in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla., as a public relations and marketing coordinator and assistant to the executive vice president. Diaz previously was an operations assistant for the Ford Championship at Doral, a PGA Tour event.

Hemant Mirchandani was named retail banking manager and assistant treasurer of Interchange Bank in Paramus. Since joining Interchange in 2000, Mirchandani has served as senior customer service representative, assistant branch manager and assistant treasurer.

Sarah Brook Robinson is director of the Adams Dance Company, a group of dancers who train exclusively at the Adams Dance Academy in Elmer.

Alumni Group News

Henry E. Weis '49 B.A. '55 M.A., and **Lois Scott Weis '51 B.A. '65 M.A.** spent the month of February on the Caribbean island Bonaire volunteering at Trans World Radio missionary station doing repairs, painting and helping with the children's programs.

Mike Russomanno '01 and **John Fredericka '02** are members of the alternative rock band Change of Structure, based in Montclair. Since forming in 2000, the band has received airplay on local college radio stations, released a six-song debut CD and is working on a follow-up. Change of Structure has played various

Tim Sullivan (right), professor in the Department of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation, and Leisure Studies since 1967, met with several alumni at the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Convention in New Orleans. Pictured with Sullivan from left are Bob Sienkiewicz '70, a department chair of physical education, health, driver's education, nursing, science, industrial arts and music at H.P. Becton Regional High School in East Rutherford; Elaine Bara Sienkiewicz '72, a supervisor of the 24 School in the East Rutherford district; Sharyn Robbins '70, who retired in 2001 after 29 years of teaching and coaching at Manasquan High School in the physical education/health department; and John Gryzmko '70, who retired from teaching after 33 years in Pequannock Township middle and high schools.

area venues, including Just Jakes in Montclair, the Whiskey Bar in Hoboken, and the Elbow Room and Acme Underground in New York City.

Engagements

Peter Pettinelli '92 to Gia Mariniello. An August 2004 wedding is planned.

Robert Feldman '93 to Elisabeth Elman. A July 2005 wedding is planned.

Michelle Szabo '94 to Paul M. Staudt. An April 2005 wedding is planned.

Robert J. Demeter '97, to Keri L. Engman. An October 2004 wedding is planned.

Jennifer Leigh Owen '97 '03 M.A. to Timothy Shortino. A May 2005 wedding is planned.

Robert B. Nixon '98 to Shannon Fitzsimonds. A July 2005 wedding is planned.

Jennifer DeAngelo '00 to Michael C. Thomas. A July 2004 wedding is planned.

Karen M. Maraventano '00 to **Timothy M. Conway '01**. A June 2005 wedding is planned.

Melissa Shem-Tov '00 '04 M.A. to David De Maio. An April 2005 wedding is planned.

Danielle Stasik '00 '03 M.A. to Michael Coppola. A September 2005 wedding is planned.

Christen Joy Pierce '01 to Peter Howard Tummillo. A June 2004 wedding is planned.

Eric Donald Lucas '01 to Gina Susan Terrone. An April 2005 wedding is planned.

Melissa A. Morgan '01 '04 M.A. to **John P. Morgan '99**. A July 2005 wedding is planned.

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Lisa Ann Paulus '02 to Michael John Quintan. A January 2005 wedding is planned.

Michelle Ricevuto '02 to Casey Ransone. A May 2006 wedding is planned.

Alison A. Neff '03 to **Michael J. Hegarty III '02 M.A.** A June 2005 wedding is planned.

Jessica Columbo '04 to Emanuel Pereira. A June 2005 wedding is planned.

Marriages/Unions

John E. Burke '70 to Sheldon Goldstein on June 27, 2004

Heide M. Steiner '84 to Douglas C. Dreist on Nov. 15, 2003

Kristin Comment '89 to **Cindy Leatherberry '89** on May 20, 2004

Virginia Marie Donnelly '89 to Joseph James Kelly Jr. on May 23, 2004

Peter Jarosz '90 '91 M.A. to Kathleen Higgins on June 26, 2004

Jennifer A. Seyler '92 to Stephen D. Ianneillo on April 23, 2004

Jason R. Hopper '93 to Julie A. Dionne on Jan. 22, 2004

Peter Urato Jr. '93 to Laura A. Pilone on April 24, 2004

Mara I. Zotta '94 '96 M.A. to Bryant Guinazu on Oct. 10, 2003

Jennifer R. Esteves '97 to **Danny A. Marroquin '00** on Nov. 29, 2003

Donald G. Oakes '98 to Jennifer Sancton on Feb. 7, 2004

Amy S. LaPosa '00 and Michael P. Orlando '99 were married on Feb. 7, 2004

Thomas J. Muller '98 to Kerri Ann Suljic on May 22, 2004

Jeff Dufine '99 to Jennifer **Sandberg '00** on April 3, 2004

Michael P. Orlando '99 to **Amy S. LaPosa '00** on Feb. 7, 2004

Dana Rumpeltin '99 to Patrick Marino on April 16, 2004

Amy L. Ruggier '00 to Vincent Gallo on Nov. 22, 2003

Richard C. Craw '02 M.A. to Veronica L. Hurst on Aug. 23, 2003

Steven R. Rampolla '04 M.B.A. to Christine Mingolla on May 15, 2004

Births

To **Lisa Crothers Thies '86** and George Thies, a daughter, Natalie Anne on July 29, 2003

To **Tracy Barrelli Lucey '90** and **Marc Lucey '94**, a son, Dennis Michael on March 11, 2004

To **Michele Comunale Nazario '90** and Chris Nazario, a son, Dante Angel on Oct. 7, 2003

To **Joann Derosa Mulvaney '92** and **John Mulvaney '92**, a son, John Edward on April 26, 2004

To **Jill Iacobelli Thistle '93** and **Greg Thistle '93**, a son, Jake Logan on March 19, 2004

To **Michele Morgan Brennan '94** and **John Brennan '94 '00 M.A.**, a daughter, Morgan Marie on March 10, 2004

To **Cherilyn Guido Carlsen '96** and Christopher Carlsen, a son, Luke Christopher on April 15, 2004

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To **Stephanie Petrone Verile '99** and Mark Verile, a daughter, Jessica Faith on Aug. 3, 2003

To **Catherine Dokachev Kondreck '00** and Nicholas Kondreck, a daughter, Natalya Ann on June 11, 2004

Anniversaries

Roland Flynn '57 and Annamarie Wolter Flynn celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at a reception hosted by their children on Jan. 31, 2004.

Jay Hudnut '72 and Zita Eileen Hudnut celebrated their 35th wedding anniversary on May 18, 2004.

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Zulima Fereaud Farber '68
William Farlie, Jr. and Barbara Farlie
Dorothy Farrell
Joan Ficke '71 and Joseph Moore '59 MA
James and Lise Filippis
Patrick Filoso
Kathleen Flanagan
George Forbes '49
Harriet Olin Freedman '47
Kathleen Donahue Gain '77
Edward Gallagher
Dorothy Gawley
John Gerity '79
Henry Gola, Jr. '76 and Lillian French Gola '76
Ruth Goldstein '70
Kenneth Gorski '77
Leonard Greaney '89
Frank Greco, Jr.
Donald '51 '56 MA and Audrey Korsak Gregg '71
Jeffery Hagaman
Margaret Hait '70 '76 MA
Karen Hausmann '74 MA
Warren Heiss
Robert Heller
Lester Herrschaft
Juanita High '51
Richard Hodson '61 MA
Gordon Hoekstra
Holiday Inn of Wayne
Alan '69 and Kathryn Hough Holley '68
Katherine Pavlovich Holmberg '39
Carol Holmelund '81
Edith Honig
Joseph and Christine Howley
Mary Hudson '63 '68 MA
Judith Lin Hunt
Janine Iannarelli '83
Nicola Iannitelli '99
J & G Service Center, LLC
Joseph Jacangelo
Fred '70 and Loretta Labuza Keimel '85 MA
David Kelly
Sue Nielsen Kelly '67
Diane Kennedy '74 MA
Brian Kiernan
Patricia Kirner '48
Margaret Michaels Kiser '74
Carlton and Joanne Klapper
Mary Diane Baliman Kluth '54
Joseph Komarek '71
Marjorie Mackerley Kops '36 '48 MA
Katherine Kozub Grier
Leonard and Miriam Kranser Family Trust Miriam Kranser '55
Christine Pruzinsky Krenitsky '67 '81 MA
Robert '69 '72 MA and Susanne Otto Kuipers '69 MA
Arthur Kull '49
Sieger Kwiatkowski '54 '59 MA
L.O.R. Enterprises, LLC
Barbara Laborim '83
Lan Associates, Inc.
Nancy Lauter
Clifford Lindholm, II and Karen Cooper Lindholm '78
Thomas Liquori
Sydney Lockwood '61 '65 MA
Roger Loesch
Robert Lombardi '93
Daniel Longhi, Sr. '43 and Gloria Insinna Longhi '43
Robert Longo '76
Deborah Lozito '82
Lusa Construction, Inc.
Eleanor Bell Lyght '84
Austin '50 '52 MA and Joyce Mc Carroll Mac Arthur '49
Steven and Kathleen Mairella
Kenneth Malone '67 '73 MA
Eleanor Hagen Maloney '33
Robin Griffiths Marko '75
Glenn and Valerie Mason
Henry Maszczak '70 '79 MA
Peter Maulbeck
Ruth Polasik Mazujian '78
James Mazzer
Hugh McCullough '50 '53 MA
Christopher and Andrea McDonagh
Marie Marra McGuire '54
Karen Meislik '80
Robert '67 '70 MA and Barbara Meyer
Peter Michell '75
Joseph Migliaccio
Carol Miller '79
Douglas Miller '77 MA
Judith Feil Miller '62
Sylvia Platzer Miller '36
Judith Minier
Mintz Rosenfeld & Company, LLC
Milton Mirsky '41
Kenneth '57 and Carol Miscia '83
Joan Ficke '71 and Joseph Moore '59 MA
Morano Contracting, LLC
Joan Kurz Morris '60
MSD Associates, LLC
Robert and Eileen Mulligan
Jeffrey Neary
NJ Higher Education Student Assistance Authority
William Oliver '71 MA '82 MA
Helyn Popovsky Ostroff '50
Joseph Paci
Carl Paladino '83
Celeste Belfiore Pandolfi '75 '79 MA
Dorothea Reiner Paoletta '57
Devra Schneider Parks '51
Sean Pasieka
Joseph Pescatore '73
Glenn Patrick Pettinato
Jane Branson Phillips '42
Carmen Piccolo, Jr. and Janice Piccolo
E. Karen Telofski Pomnitz '68 '92 MA
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Kathleen Ragan '74 '80 MA
Florence Perell Reichler '42
Rita Tiernan Rinehart '52
Dorothy Rogers
Rose Meola Rudy '92 MA
Charles and Jane Russo
Philip and Barbara Gibbons Ruziska '63 '75 MA
Bernard Saccaro
Raymond '78 and Lauren Starrett Salani '79
Marion Salvia '50
Eunice Thompson Samer '50
Caroline Schumann
Marie Mauriello Scotti '49
Richard Scull '77
Thomas * '57 and Rosemarie Bates Seippel '58
Wilbur Selander '57
F.A. Sergio
Judith Corn Siegelbaum '70
Luciann Keczmerski Slomkowski '57
Robert Smith '70
Dominic Smorra
Marjorie Rowe Spangler '71
Jean Palis Spatz '93
John Specchio
Sport's Time, Inc.
James Spry '54
St. Thomas Aquinas College
Cesare Stefanelli '84
Howard Stern '49
Stonebridge
Eleanor Svec '47 '50 MA
Hugh O. '54 and Judy Ruelens Sweeney '57
William Sweeney, Jr. and Sandi Sweeney
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Richard Terrio, Jr. and Kristen Terrio
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William Testa '74
Anne Kobryn Teuscher '46
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Tisha Industries, Inc.
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Carol Schneider Tomason '70
Tri-State Italian American Congress
Carolyn Troast '84
Drew Tuckman
Robert Tumelty
George Turner, II and Susan Turner '95 '03 MA
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Rita Ullrich '59
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UNICO–North Haledon
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UNICO–San Jose Chapter
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Vaughn '68 '70 MA and Suzanne Vandegrift
Larry Vansyckle
Cathy Vayianos '61
Barbara Carroll Verdile '64
Guy' 60 and Elaine Post Vinopal '60
Riccardo '65 '72 MA and Carol Fiehn Vivona '80 '85 MA
Jeffrey Ward '92
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Patricia Kinney Williams '63
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Richard Wolfson
Jason Yatsko '96
William Yuppa
Salvatore Zuccaro '01

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John Ahearn '80
Fahima Ahadi Ahmadi '95
Air Win Corporation
Albany Street Plaza
Adele Press Albert '47
Alban Albert '77 MA
Joseph Alessi
Steven Alianiello '03
Frank Allison '54 '60 MA
Kimberly Kovar Allorto '97
Scott Alswang
Gary Altman '78
Barbara Alvarado
Frank '76 and Nancy Myers Alvarez '76 '02 ME
American Standard, Inc.
Kwaku Amo '03
Vincent Andaloro '87
Paul and Maryellen Andersen
James Andrews '58
John Anthes
Maryann Kudrewicz Anthony '70
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Guy and Denise Apicella
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Theodore Arnheiter '84
James Asbell '54
Myron Ascher '80
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Anthony Barbary '69 '74 MA
Ruth Barber '79
Ronald Baris '71
Michael Barker '79
Amos Barnes '79
Stanley '71 and Tina Baron '71
Timothy '63 '69 MA and Mary Porter Barr '63
Mary Bell Barrett '34
Thomas Barrett '75
Harriet Lacz Barwick '55 '58 MA
Patricia Bataille '72
Rose Marie Battaglia '51 '66 MA
Tony Bavaro
Marianne Bays '74 '75 MA
Sue Keil Beck '57
Catherine Kerns Becker '63, '66 MA, '87 MBA
Muriel Rogow Becker '64 MA
Thomas Becker '66 '71 MA
Fredric Bednarek '59
Holly Slocum Beekman '69
Louis Beierle '75
Joseph Bell '69
Dora Gordon Bellat '36
John Bellezza '03
Jerry '90 MA and Nadine Bitner Bello '90 MA
Susan Belyea '98
Fredric Bennett
Linda Reichenfeld Bennett '62
James Benson '86
Padi Duran Benzing '73
John Berckes '79

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Charles Berry '99 MA
Francis Bianchi '79
Rosa Sanchez Biacone '96 '99 MA
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Ian Biegelsen
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Susan Bingham
John Binko '81
Mark Bippes '81 MA and Lise Greene '74 '81 MA
Kathleen Karpinski Birdsall '62
Edwin '63 and Kathryn Nardone Black '65
Laurence Blackburn '79 and Mary Ann Defiore-Blackburn '82
Kevin Blaine
Leonard Blessing '50 '51 MA
William Blomn '99
Margaret Bloodgood '77
Broeck and Aryeh Blumberg
James Bobinyec '71
Joan Bader Bockelmann '37 '41 MA
John Bockelmann '81 MA
Carolee Palmiotto Boger '72
Norman Bohn '70 MA
Marion Alexander Bolden '68 '82 MA
Vera Saltzman Boles '33
Mary Vespignani Bond '78 '80 MA
Joan Bonhoff '80
Richard Bonsal
Marcia Bossart '70 MA
Laura Sanson Botto '74 '80 MA
Florence Otto Boutwell '41
Angelo Bovino '60 '67 MA
Robert and Anne Bowness
Edward Boyno
Granville Brady, Jr. '67 '68 MA
Donald Bragaw '50
Roberta Brashear '78 '80 MA
June Brickman '49
Suzanne Bridenburg '63
Paula Broadwick
Peter and Susan Brockway
Kenneth Brook
Richard Brooks '81 '85 MA
Jonathan Brown '81
Lynnferd Brown '79
Robert Brown
Rosemary Brown '03
Vivian Brown '93 MA
Claude Buchman '79 MA
Paul Buhtanic '60 '63 MA
Marjorie Bunnell '43 '47 MA
Paul Burger '82
Ellen Simpson Burns '76
Marjorie McHugh Burns '49
Thomas Burr '59
Michael '75 and Nancy Burzminski '75
June Schroepfer Butler '52
Vincent Butler '59
Peter Byer '77
James Byrne '75
Geoffrey Cahill '86
Anthony '67 '73 MA and Julia Ulirsch Caiazzo '68
John Camp '63 '67 MA
Louis Campanelli '60 '66 MA
Lawrence Campbell '48 '49 MA
Robert '80 and Ellen Campbell '84
Dean Campiglia '96 MA
Jack and Cathy Cancalosi
Cosimo Cancelliere '74
Jean Carey Candee '53
Steven Caniano '83
Patricia Canzani '99 MA
Carla Capizzi '74
Kenneth Cappetta '69
William '66 '70 MA and Elsa Jensen Carbone '66
Renzo Carcich '86
Angel Cardona '98
Christine Carlin '98
Theodore Carlson '40
Calvin '84 and Susan Ann Signorello Carlstrom '83 '86 MA
Donna Carluccio '82
Philip Carnevale
Patricia Carroll
Robert '59 and Elizabeth Vill Carroll '60 '86 MA
L. Philip Carstens '40
Kenneth '76 and Annette Rossetti Cartaxo '76
Anthony Caruso '44 '52 MA *
Joseph Caruso '87
Gloria Conforti Carvagno '79 '81 MA
Dennis '75 and Anne Deering Casale '75
Bruce P. '76 MA and Diane R. Casey '85 MA
Robert Cassels '93 MA
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Shirley Seabrook Cathie '72 MA
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Patricia Huvane Chabora '79
Yaw Chan '95
Carol Scimeca Chasse '77
Ketan Chauhan '98
Joseph Checkley '81
Robert Chesney '90 '92 MA
Gail Chesnut '57 '70 MA
Chevy's Fresh Mexican
William Chilcott '81
John '43 and Doris Chiocca '79
Walter Chomko '73 '78 MA
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Joan Perretti Christen '43
Patryk Chudy '97
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Martina Coker
Carol Cole '79
Colette Murphy Cole '75
Aiden Colie '85 '92 MA
Ann Conrey Commisa '73
Con Edison
Irma De Venezia Conforti '43
Marilyn Conrad '76
Elaine Conte '82
Florence Kelly Conway '50
Janet Cooke '82 MA
John Cooke '52
Kevin Cooney '75
Meliton Cordero '00
Rita Beirne Cornyn '52
Salvatore Corrao '68
Elsie Coughlin Coss '57
James '66 '68 MA and Nancy Dierk Cottingham '67
Thelma Anderson Courtney '44 '50 MA
Charles Covello
Patricia Coveney '74
Marsha Parker Cox '73
Michael Coyle '00
Denise Cram '74
Grace Crane '73 MA
Elizabeth Crann '81
Charles Crocco '85
Kevin Culley
Frank and Melissa Cusimano
Karl Custer '55 '60 MA
Allan Czaya '69
Sharon Inglese Danatzko '73
Patricia D'Angelo
Marc D'Angiolillo
Denise Dangremond '78 MA
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Jane Kavenagh Darling '80
Franca Dattilo '94
Laurie E. Davidson '99
Diane De Bellis '80
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Patrick De Rosa '59
Lynn Dadika Dean '81
Samuel and Linda DeAngelis
Victor and Donna DeCarlo
Thomas Decker '53
Michael DeFeo '75 '81 MA
Definis P & H
Antonio and Josephine DeGravina
Ramon Delgado
Guy Della Monica
Joseph Dellapi '98
Gregory '77 and Polly Evans Dell'Omo '77
Thomas DeLorenzo '74
Victor '53 and Joyce Roland Demarest '53
John Dembeck '76
D. Jeanne Herrmann Denes '73
Richard Dennis '64 MA
Paul DePalma '80
Teresa Bauer Diamantopoulos '82
Eric Diamond
Martin Dickerson '97 MA
David W.D. Dickson *
Mary Patricia Dierkes '82
Elizabeth Cocca Dilea '61
Susan Jakuboski Dillard '72
Sharon Couch DiLonardo '78
Jerry Dimartino '95
Douglas '80 and Sandra Cannella Dimattia '88
Mary Ellen Moorehead Dinsmore '75
Barbara Blocker Disbrow '50
Sharon Skrypak DiTosto '77
Thomas Diveny '81 '99 MA
Dagmar Dockery '83 MA
Daniel Doherty '79
Maryann Bond Doherty '58
Peter Dolese '75
Roger and Lisa Donnan
Frank Donohue '87 MA
Thomas and Shirleen Dorman
Jean Ellenberger Dougherty '44
Loretta Douglas '70 '85 MA
Daniel '71 and Patricia Drozdowski '80
Daniel Dukes Duca '86 '98 MA
Blaise Duffy
Marion Higgins Dugan '40
Mary Ryaby Duke '62
Katherine McAuvic Dunlap '76
Beth Dunn '63
Rowena Duran '78
Dennis and Doreen Dutkevitch
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Robert Dykstra '54
Helen Earles '01 MA
Winifried Schiefer Eberle '38
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Audley Edwards
Obinna Ejiofor '86
John Elefante
Elizabeth Dean Eler '40 *
Patricia Elias '97
Constance Catania Elliott '63
Geraldine Smith Emsley '43
Dolores England
Karen Geldmaker Ensle '71
Barbara Fischer Erickson '70
Wendy Erickson '79
Herbert Ershkowitz '55
Carl Esposito
Steven '78 and Judith Shinn Esposito '77
Edwin and Ivonne Estrada
Jerrold and Melissa Evans
Ruth Ann Exel '65
Jacqueline Falcone '84
John Falcone '74 MA
William Fanaras '65
William Fantry '56
Michael Feeley '01
Edwin Feliciano '82
William Feliciano '74 MA
William '74 and Donna Agnoli Fellenberg '71
Zhaodong Feng
Milford Ferguson '02
June Fernicola '78
Evelyn Danik Ferrara '51
Thomas and Arlene Fetter
Jacques Feys '75
Eileen Fierro '01
Ronald Fierro '79 MA
John '77 and Jane Korn Fietkiewicz '78
Elaine Fine
LuAnn Villano Fine '81
Martin and Elizabeth Finegan
Jacqueline Finney '72
First and Jimmie Leeds Road, LLC
Anthony Fischer '79 MA
Cynthia Lefton Fisher '75
Carol Fitzmaurice '81
E. Alma Williams Flagg '43
Thomas and Virginia Flahive
Jane Savage Flanagan '45
Jennifer Flinn '97
Marcha Flint
Anthony Floreno '93
Edith Bradley Floyd '37
Rosalie Brancato Foschini '55
Ruth Fost '74 MA
Alfred Fox, Jr. and Patricia Fox
Marc and Lisa Fox
Richard Franke
Robert Franks '92
Catherine Guarnieri Frank-White '62
Gerard Freda '92
James Freda '53
Maurice and Theresa Frederick
Fredrickson Landscaping, Inc.
Andrew Freeman '84
Alan Frenkl '95
Nancy Ausprung Friedlander '52 '56 MA
Joanne Martinowich Fritz '73
Edna Borg Froehlich '39
Philip Frowery '70 MA
Ann Pennetta Funicelli '98
Donald A. '49 '51 MA and Dolores O'Keeffe Fusco '49
Michael Gabriele '75
Robert Gabriele '82
William '62 '66 MA and Patricia McCurry Gabrielson '64
Harriett Gaddy '80 '85 MA
Joan Gallagher Gaeng '49 '54 MA
Joan Philibert Gaffin '78 MA
Kathleen Gaffney '62
Paul '65 '68 MA and Maria Piacente Galeota '64 '68 MA
Richard Gallagher '81
Daragh Gallagher-Carpenter '88
Mary Barkman Gallion '62
Louis Garbaccio '77
James '50 '51 MA and Jeanette Besher Gardner '52
Melinda Gardner '63 '70 MA
Elizabeth Brunner Garifo '78
Michael '61 and Jean Furnari Garzillo '59
Louis '51 and Ann O'Connell Gebhard '51
Edward Gedney '87
Stephen Geisel '78
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Oliver Gelston '53 '58 MA
Michael Genaro '50
Nancy Benson Georgette '81 '98 MA '03 MA

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Steven Gerritsen '73
Charles Gersie '48 '49 MA
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Stephen Getty '73
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Dale Douglass Gianforte '58
Linda Giarrusso '90 '01 MS
Eugene Gibba, II '68 and Suzette Prudhon Gibba '68
Harford Gibbs '58
Ruth Lussenhop Gibson '39
John Gilderbloom
Elaine Lachenauer Gill '43 '49 MA
Louis Gilleran '79
Mary Cutillo Gillespie '48
Wendy Gillespie '73
Diane Ryales Gipson '80
Barbara Warren Girion '58
Marjorie Morgenstern Glassman '48
Loyola Nichols Gleason '48
Glen Road Associates, Inc.
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GMS Diner Corporation
Gertrude Nenninger Goble '48
Guglielmo Goffi '77 MA
Stephen '52 and Rosemary Loustalot Goin '52 '71 MA
Benjamin Goldberg '02
Nancy Yelenik Goldberg '69
Goldsack & Roman Floor Covering Service
Robert Goldsack '74 MA
David Goldstein '89
Michael Goldstein '60 '72 MA
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William Golubinski '56
Raj Gona '94 MA
Stacey Gondek '89
Linda Gonzalez '98 '00 MA
Gail Gordon
Vincent '59 '61 MA and Margaret Della Sala Gorski '59
Susan Mayer Gorter '71
Robert '53 '60 MA and Jacqueline Robinson Gorton '53
John '77 and Susan Goscinski
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Robert Grace '69
Judy Lynn Graef '66 '69 MA
Joseph Graff '74
David Graham '98
Lorraine Majeski Graham '68
Sheryl Sarno Granet '95
Donna Marine Green '72
Linda Greenberg '78
Mark Bippes '81 MA and Lise Greene '74 '81 MA
Catherine Greenfeder '93 MA
Kenneth Greenstein
Clifford '49 and Barbara Wellington Greenwald '49
William and Nancy Gregorio
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Jeff '82 and Robyn Arpiarian Greulich '82
Raymond Grill '88
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Albert Grosser
David Grossman '76
Martin Grosso, Jr. and Dianne Grosso
John Guarino '80
Nancy Guild '50 '55 MA
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James Guter '64 '68 MA
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Joan Bischof Haenny '86
Emily Brown Haffler '49
Carol Hahn '80
Judith Hain
Deena Haklai '52
Elizabeth Betz Hamel '76 '90 MA
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Arthur Hamm '81
Kathleen Mary Brady Hanf '71
Jeanette Hanlein
Phyllis Van Kleeck Harbach '64
James Hardenberg '83
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Patricia Harrington '62 '67 MA
Benjamin Harris, Jr. '53 '56 MA
James Harris '68 '70 MA
William Harrison '49
David Hart '50 '57 MA
Adolph Haug '68 MA
Torolf Haug '98
Virginia Brandt Hawkins '95 MA
Timothy Hayduk
Mary Hayek '85 MA
Rosella Hayes '71
Genevieve Pettersen Hazekamp '40 '61 MA
Naedine Hazell '82
Michael Heaney '71
Doris Johnson Heise '69 '79 MA
Barbara Hemink '89 MA
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Lorraine Carroll Hennessey '84
George Hennings '47 '48 MA
Victor '69 and Karen Ashley Hermey '77
Janet Thoma Higgins '82
Jennifer Higgins '04 MA
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Gloria Hines '76 MA
Maria Hinrichsen '99
Isidor Hirschhorn '36
Alisa Tchounis Hodowanec '75
John Hoey '98 MA
Patrick and Bridget Hogan
MaryAnn Swenson Holden '51
Georgiann Dermody Hook '65
Dorothea Hooper '54 '58 MA
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Edith Hopp '78
Fay Zipkin Hortz '46
Simone Houlker '00
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John '53 and Rosemary Sharkey Huber '53
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F. Doris Humphry '52
Virginia Hurley '73 MA
Gwenyth Hill Hurling '69 MA
Henrietta Goerler Hurst '38
William Huyck '77
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Michael Jackson
Herbert Jacobson '55
Ralph Jacobson '62
Andrew and Patricia Jacoby
Euclid Jacques
Ernest Jaeger '68
Joseph Jagacki
Stanley '70 '76 MA and Jan Thorne Jakubik '70
Krzysztof Jarzabek '00
Patricia Jasinkiewicz '93
Hugh and Gail Jasne
Ann Ward Jenkins '56
Margaret Huck Jenkins '76
Patricia Jennings '75
Fay Jensen-Yeager '44
Brenda Jezierski '62 '88 MA
Donna Kerner Johanson '76
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Ophelia Johnson '99
Renee Ray Johnson '73
Vancliff '88 and Miriana Milovic Johnson '90
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Syrtiller McCollum Kabat '60
John Kaelin '50 '55 MA
Mark Kaelin '67 '74 MA
Dorothy Klauser Kalnins '61 '68 MA
Bruce Michael Kalnitsky '69
Jan and Beatrice Kandell
Marie Kane '67 '73 MA
Peter Kane
Richard Kaplan '78
Michael and Janet Kasian
Howard '42 and Muriel Goldberg Katz '42 '67 MA
Alfred Kausch '59 '64 MA
Joan Bartyzel Kaynak '63
John Kazanjian '50 MA
Michael Keegan '74
Richard Keenan '66
Lucille Fagan Kehoe '48 '52 MA
Diane Gilmore Keiller '65
David Keiser
Patrice Kelly '96
Patricia Kelly
Patricia Clark Kenschaft
Barry Kenstler '81
Patricia Kern '69
Marguerithe Chadwick Kerr '49 '53 MA
David Kerrigan '74
Beth Menein Kersen '51
Audrey Haymes Kessler '72
Harold Kessler '70 '80 MA
Hermine Kessler '99 MA
David and Marisa Kettelhut
Paul Kibalo '83
Philip Kiernan '93
Thomas Kiernan
Deborah Horn Killoran '79
Nancy Scelba Kimble '43
Carol Watt King '78 MA
Michael King '83
King's College
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John '67 '70 MA and Linda Kirchberger '77
Robert '63 '67 MA and Frances Stern Kirschner
Gilbert Klajman
Audrey Peppinghaus Klein '47 '50 MA
Georgette Klemchalk Lentz '71
Christina Ruprecht Knapik '98
R. F. Knapp Roofing
Michael Knierim '85 '92 MA
Judith Knight '68
Dorothy Sisley Knill '93
William and Judith Knudson
Glenn Koegel '69 '70 MA
Albert Kohrherr '43
Joseph and Kathy Konciak
Raymonde Koonce '88
Stanley '54 '66 MA and Barbara Stevens Kopacki '59 '74 MA
Ramona Kopacz '91 MA
Roger Korey '79
Nancy McKill Koshak '64
John Koumoulides '60 '61 MA
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Frank Krause
Kevin Krause '83 MA
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Joan Sprich Krautheim '60
Frances Villani Kroeckel '62 '66 MA
Barbara Krusko
Teresa Kulik '80 '90 MA
Thomas Kunz '90
Robert Kupetsky
Ronald Troppoli '76 and Donna Kurc '76
Theodore Kury '59
William '54 and Helen Birnbaum Kushner '56
Catherine Kwan '68
Joseph Kwederis '88
Marla Bellocchio La Falce '86
Elizabeth LaBlanc '79 MA
Viriato and Barbara Laborim
Robert Lachenauer '51 '56 MA
Robert Lager '82
Charles '66 '69 MA and Karen Kayser Lagos '66
Joanne Kaplaneris Lallos '84
Vivian Lalumia '86
Richard and Linda Lamberson
Daryl Ebeling Lancaster '77
Linda Pellett Lannin '54
Richard Lansmann '78
Daniel Larkin '87
Samuel Lasala '00 MA
David Lasaracino '82
Arnold Lau '48
John Lavery
Joann LaVorgna '75
Renee Roskos Le Riche '51 '73 MA
Alice Walker Leath '84
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I appreciate so much what Montclair State has meant to me, I wanted to give something back."

Magliaro has made arrangements for a percentage bequest to Montclair State. Unlike the general bequest left by Frazee-Baldassarre, a percentage bequest designates a predetermined percentage of the donor's estate to the University.

Now retired in St. Simons Island, Ga., Magliaro enjoyed a fulfilling career in education administration for more than 25 years. After teaching music and reading for several years, Magliaro served as a school principal in Mt. Arlington and Wayne before becoming superintendent of schools in East Hanover. He is part of a large group of Montclair State alumni educators.

"Montclair State prepared me well, there's no question about it," he said. "I got a complete liberal arts education and the faculty was excellent. I can't say enough about it."

There are also people who aren't graduates of Montclair State but understand why alumni share a deep appreciation for the University. Robert Altman is among them. A member of the MSU Board of Trustees since 1998, his second stint after a 10-year term that began in the mid-1980s, Altman has been involved in education throughout his career as a high school teacher, college administrator, a vice president at Educational Testing Service and now president of International Assessment Associates. His current position takes him around the world to examine the educational needs of children in underdeveloped countries. "Education is the difference between countries that make it and countries that don't," he said. "Without an educated workforce and voting population, a country will not be strong."

Funding for higher education, Altman says, desperately needs the public's attention. "Higher education has been short changed on the state and national levels going back to Nixon and consistently every since," he said. "If anyone is in a position to give, I would urge that it be to higher education."

Altman practices what he preaches and is establishing an annuity gift to Montclair State. "I believe in the value of public higher education," he said, "and I like that Montclair State is still a first and second generation college."

With an annuity gift, the donor receives the interest from the money and the beneficiary, in this case the University, will receive the principal when the donor passes away.

"I never thought I'd be in a position to give," Altman said. "But when the opportunity came up, it was never a doubt that I would give to education."

Vice President Haynes said Montclair State has benefited enormously throughout the years from the support of those who share the University's dedication to academic excellence and that he "looks forward to this continued support as Montclair State nears its centennial in 2008."

A brochure outlining various tax-favored giving opportunities—from trusts and bequests to annuities and bonds—is available from the Development Office by calling 973-655-4344.

Homecoming 2004

Homecoming 2004 offers a weekend celebration for alumni that includes football, food, music, a festive parade, a rooftop party and a chance to reconnect with old friends and classmates. The three-day event runs Oct. 15-17.

Picking up on some of the changes initiated last year, the thrust this year will be to continue to make Homecoming a grand event, guided by the vision of Dr. Thomas Haynes, vice president for University Advancement; Dr. Karen Pennington, vice president for Student Development and Campus Life; and Catherine Katz, director of Alumni Relations.

"We believe that alumni deserve a grand homecoming," Katz said. "All of us at Montclair State feel that it really is a big deal to make homecoming a special event when our alumni come back."

The tentative schedule begins with an alumni reception at the new Alexander Kasser Theater and the outdoor amphitheater on Friday, Oct. 15, 6-8 p.m.

The reception includes a gathering of football alumni, hosted by head football coach Rich Giancola, a reunion of the Student Government Association (SGA), the Black Alumni Chapter, and various fraternities and sororities.

Following the gathering, participants will have an opportunity to sneak a peek at the final preparations of float building for the parade.

Saturday's events will begin at 11 a.m. with a continental breakfast at the Alumni House, where Katz hopes all alumni, as well as students and their alumni parents, will gather.

After breakfast, everyone will head out to the Bond House lawn on Valley Road to watch the traditional Homecoming parade from noon to 2 p.m.

The next venue will shift in a vertical direction—up to the roof of the Red Hawk Parking Deck from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. for a festival that will include food, music, activities and carnival games.

The football game against William Paterson is scheduled to begin at 6 p.m. (Check the alumni Web site to confirm time.) Football alumni are invited to stop by the VIP tent set up in the Red Hawk end zone before the kickoff.

The Alumni Association will sponsor an after-game party at Tierney's beginning at 9 p.m. where alumni will enjoy the sounds of two bands and special discounts on food and beverages.

Homecoming weekend will close on Sunday with live music and refreshments from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Student Center, open to all alumni and students.

For complete information about Homecoming 2004, go to the alumni Web site at www.montclair.edu/alumni, or call Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141.

–Michael C. Gabriele '75

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Curtain call... Jedediah Wheeler, Montclair State University's new executive director for Arts and Cultural Programming (seated), President Susan A. Cole and Geoffrey W. Newman, dean of the School of the Arts, admire the new Alexander Kasser Theater, which opened in September. The 500-seat, state-of-the-art theater is a unique performance venue where Montclair State will present performances by artists who challenge the conventions of dance, music, theater and opera.

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Uncertainty and Challenges:

Life after the Taliban

The Inside TRACK

Susan A. Cole
President
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Many higher education institutions have aggressively pursued agendas for global education for a number of years, and Montclair State University has taken a lead role in these activities. We recently were recognized by NAFSA: Association of International Educators as one of the top 16 colleges in the country for outstanding campus internationalization. One of our most successful initiatives has been our annual conferences on global business and economic development, the most recent of which was held in January in Guadalajara, Mexico in partnership with the Universidad del Valle de Atemajac in collaboration with the New Jersey Commerce and Economic Growth Commission.

In many ways, the academic community has been ahead of the curve, recognizing the great importance of increasing global knowledge and understanding in a world that is shrinking in size every day as communication methodologies become more effective and more widely dispersed throughout the population.

Nations once separated by awkward transportation structures, uncertain communication links and lack of knowledge can now easily acquire information, communicate and do business electronically. In fact, it is largely the business sector and the academic institutions that study how business is done and train the next generation of business leaders that have understood the relevance of international partnerships and strategic alliances as a strategy to sustain economic and human development.

It is largely the universities of the world that have been called upon to provide the education and training that can enable people to have sufficient understanding of others to be able to partner, trade, and create and sustain economic growth in ways that are constructive and productive—in ways that contribute to global stability and minimize the potential ill effects of globalization and political destabilization.

Our colleges and universities have been advancing the idea of global education for some time, and we have made definite and solid progress in internationalizing our curricula and developing programs that encourage all our students to attain some measure of global literacy. There is no question that contributing to economic development, political stabilization, cultural understanding and societal advances when we study the literature of other nations, when we share our arts, when we learn each other's languages, and when we work together in cooperative ventures of any kind enable us to learn something about how our different international colleagues think about things.

In this issue you will read about a few of the international initiatives in place at Montclair State. Our cover story introduces you to two remarkable women, Alean Haider and Samira Panah, who are studying at Montclair State under the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women Program. You also will read about some of the international projects faculty members are spearheading.

Historically and internationally, the role of higher education has gone well beyond the teaching of practical, or even theoretical, knowledge. The fundamental purpose of the university is to preserve and transmit culture. Universities create spaces for the free exploration of ideas, at least to the extent politically and intellectually possible at any given time and place. And above all else, universities educate citizens—people capable of thinking critically and exercising leadership roles as citizens of the world.

By the time you read this, the snow and cold should be on its way back north. However, the cold didn't slow us down in having fun and improving the services we bring to you.

We've been busy at your alma mater. In November we held our first career fair designed to connect Alumni employers with Alumni seeking jobs (see page 8). The reviews indicate that we provided a valuable service to alumni. Remember, if you are an employer and you see a resume from a fellow alum, interview him or her. We have to stick together in this highly competitive world.

We held three networking receptions this winter with more than 30 alumni attending each "Alumni Happy Hour." Thanks to Phil Kiernan for putting these together. I attended the last one at Pub 46 in Clifton. Alumni from the class of '58 to the class of '00 attended.

In January, we held a group outing at a New Jersey Devils game. Nearly 600 tickets were sold and the stands were rocking and blinking with MSUAA flashlights. We are already planning additional events where alumni can purchase professional sporting event tickets at tremendous savings. Thanks to all who helped host this event.

In February, we launched the MSU Alumni Online Community. The alumni Web site is your link to valuable programs, member benefits and events. The Online Community has a directory, alumni yellow pages, class notes with photos and a place where groups of alumni can form. Stay in touch. This is an exciting program and kudos to our fantastic staff for bringing this about.

This spring is also a time for new benefits to bloom. We've executed a contract with COMPSolutions, PEO to help alumni who are either employees or owners of small businesses (see page 14).

We also have secured a full range of benefits and services for you with our Beneplace program, which will be accessible through the alumni Web site this summer. The program will offer a broad range of benefits from long-term care insurance to pet insurance; from discounted consumer goods to rental cars. Watch the Web site for details.

Finally, remember that Alumni Weekend is right around the corner (see page 7).

We will have a wild time this year. Everything from Salsa Dancing in the Rathskeller to the 30th reunion of the Chapin Hall Experimental Living Program will take place. This could be the best Alumni Weekend yet, so don't be left out.

Stay tuned and stay in touch. Carpe diem.

Wayne DeFeo '80 '82 M.A.
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Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

I read with great interest the letter by Fred Pregger in the fall *Alumni Life*, recalling my departure from Montclair State Teachers College (MSTC) in 1942 and eventual return after the war to graduate in 1947. While rethinking the "good old days," I remembered an integral facet of MSTC that has been forgotten by many and unknown to most—College High School (CHS).

CHS was a demonstration school of grades 7-12, with only 30 students per grade, housed in what is now Morehead Hall. The students were carefully chosen, with special consideration given to faculty's children and siblings of enrolled children. The CHS staff included college professors and the curriculum was demanding. Students often had six hours of homework per night. Despite its small number, this gifted group of students was able to publish a newspaper and a yearbook, field a six-man football team and a basketball team, and engage in other activities.

At the time of its inception, CHS was an integral part of the teacher-training program of MSTC. College students, all of whom were prospective secondary school teachers, were expected to complete observations, and by their junior and senior years frequently participated in the instructional program as well as brief teaching stints.

Eventually, as the function and purpose of MSTC expanded, College High became a small and expensive arm of the college and was forced by the State Commissioner of Education to disband. Unfortunately, all the graduates of College High became alumni of a non-existent institution and apparently no comprehensive collection of their records has ever been found. A number of graduating classes have made special efforts to maintain their identities throughout the years. For example, the class of 1967 is planning a reunion. I had the privilege of teaching algebra to this class in 1964. Among the 29 students was my son, who at the time was 14 years old.

I was provided an impressive summary on the accomplishments of most of the graduates of this class. They include four psychologists, three physicians, six attorneys, a classics professor, a top chemist for a Fortune 500 drug company, a successful artist, a Ph.D. college administrator, a corporate vice president of investor relations, a vice president for business development for a major medical center, a partner in a major New York investment banking firm, an IBM software programmer, a senior editor at *National Geographic*, a geologist, a human resources consultant and a librarian.

The class of 1967 reunion will take place at the Georgetown Inn in Washington, D.C. during the weekend of May 7, 2004. For more information, contact Deborah Waldner Guttentag at dng@yahoo.com or Harry Sobel at h.sobel@comcast.net.

Max Sobel '47, Montclair State Professor Emeritus

EDITOR'S NOTE: If you attended College High, please e-mail us at alumni@mail.montclair.edu and put College High in the subject line.

On the cover

For **Alean Haider** (left) and **Samira Panah**, coming to America from Afghanistan meant experiencing freedom, equality and hope for the first time. *(Story on Page 4)*

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No Challenge too Great for Pair From Afghanistan

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

For two Afghan students on full scholarships, coming to America meant experiencing many things for the first time—freedom, equality and hope, among them.

Alean Haider and Samira Panah came to Montclair State in September as participants in the Initiative to Educate Afghan Women, a program founded two years ago by social worker Paula Nirschel, wife of the President of Roger Williams University in Bristol, R.I. The students also received a $5,000 scholarship from the MSU Student Government Association and the class of 2003.

Haider and Panah will spend the next four years here and will return to Afghanistan upon graduation to help their country rebuild.

Facing the challenge and uncertainty of coming to a foreign country might seem daunting, but these young women have braved far more growing up under the rule of the Taliban. Both managed to become educated under difficult circumstances. Haider finished her English studies in secret then vowed to share her knowledge with other young Afghan women. Now 23, she ran an underground English language school for female students as young as 15 years old from her family's home in Kabul.

Panah, 21, the daughter of a judge and a mother who taught primary school, spent the Taliban years in Pakistan with her two sisters and two brothers. Prior to coming to MSU, she served as an interpreter, English teacher, course coordinator and office supervisor with the United Nations Development Program for Afghanistan. She became assistant to the international trade adviser for the minister of commerce at the U.S. Agency for International Development in Pakistan.

Haider and Panah's arrival was met with much media attention. The pair has been featured in newspaper articles focusing on their unprecedented journey to pursue higher education in the United States. "I am proud to talk about myself and my country," said Panah. "It is really important because life is based on experience, so all this attention increases my self-confidence."

"I feel a little brave," said Haider. "Afghanistan is a long distance away. The situation that we lived in was very limited. I am proud for Afghan people. Even though they don't have a lot of opportunity, they are brave and they have the ability to do anything they want to do—not just me, but all Afghan people, especially women."

Of course they have faced many difficulties balancing their culture with the lifestyle of an American college campus. "The hard part is to be far from our families and to adjust to the different environment," admitted Haider.

Haider and Panah are residents of the University's newest residential facility, The Village at Little Falls, where they live in separate apartments. "It's the first time I've been on my own so it was really difficult, especially during the first days," said Haider. "Now it's been a little bit better adjusting. But it's good that it makes me self-sufficient. When I was in my country, most of the time I did a lot of things by advisement and support of my family but here I have to do things by myself, which is a good experience."

Panah agrees. "Our culture is different from American culture. In our country, students have 50 percent responsibilities and the other 50 per

By the numbers

779—the total number of international students in 2003-04 (including 134 students in practical training internships). Montclair State's international student enrollment has grown by 44 percent in the past eight years.

95—countries represented by MSU students. Top 10 are:
- **61**—Kenya
- **43**—Korea
- **34**—India
- **30**—Poland
- **29**—Colombia
- **27**—Turkey
- **21**—Japan and China
- **19**—Cyprus
- **18**—Nigeria
- **17**—Brazil

51—the number of students who are studying abroad this semester. They are in Africa, Asia, Austria, Australia, Bulgaria, Costa Rica, England, Ireland, Italy, Mexico, Russia and Spain.

21—exchange/visiting students studying at Montclair State this semester. They come from France, England, Australia, China, Hungary, Afghanistan and Austria.

Alean Haider

cent belongs to teachers," she explained. "But in the United States, students accept all the responsibilities while studying at college."

The most difficult adjustment they've had to make is to the food. "The only things I've been able to eat are pizza and French fries," said Haider, laughing at what is probably the typical diet of most college freshmen.

And there are some things, Panah says, people don't expect about her. "People are surprised how fluently I am able to speak English," she said. "Also, I have traveled to many places since I've been in the United States like Boston, Vermont, New Hampshire and New York."

When it comes to religion, Haider and Panah struggle to maintain their religious commitments with their busy schedules. "We pray five times a day," explained Haider. "Sometimes I miss my morning prayer because I study until midnight and it is hard to wake up early in the morning, especially when I have exams."

But you won't hear either complaining about their schedules. They are truly dedicated to their education. "The thing I enjoy most about being here is studying because that was my wish," said Haider. "I really study hard. I like all my classes."

Haider is majoring in economics and hopes to take her experiences and knowledge back to her country. "The economy in Afghanistan is low and I want to try in the field of economics to help the poor people of my country," she said.

A political science major, Panah would like to focus on international relations. She plans to work in the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or with the United Nations.

Although they have enjoyed their first semester, both women are counting the days until they return home for the summer. Until then, when Haider is sad and wants to feel closer to her family, she listens to Afghani music since calling home has proven costly. "I got a bill that was $553," she said.

Looking back at what she's already accomplished, Haider feels a sense of pride and hope. "It has been a lot of change for me. When I think about what I've done in just four months and that I will be here for four years, there will be lots of possibilities and we will gain a lot of experience and knowledge," she said. "The same way I'm feeling, my family is feeling as well. Always, when they call me, they encourage me as they do at home."

And when Haider looks ahead, she envisions not only her own future, but the future of women in her homeland as well. "Some of the families in Afghanistan don't want their daughters to go for an outside education. It's a good experience for our people. When we go back to our country they will see the positive effect it has had and the positive change in us."

Samira Panah

Faculty conduct global scholarship

Many Montclair State faculty members receive funding from the Global Education Center to develop international expertise in their disciplines by facilitating scholarly research, collaboration and participation in international conferences. Here are just a few examples of the work being conducted:

Sandra Naipaul of the Department of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies is developing a Web-based learning course for hospitality management courses, involving the University of the West Indies in Trinidad and Tobago, Institute d'Aquitaine in France and UNIVA in Mexico. The Introduction to the Hospitality Industry course, utilizing Blackboard as the primary Web-based learning software, will equip Montclair State students with the knowledge and ability to interact with global systems and diverse cultures. The first course, for students at MSU and UNIVA, is scheduled to begin In September.

Patricia Piroh of the Department of Broadcasting and **Eileen Foti** of the Department of Art and Design are producing a documentary, "One South African Woman's Vision: Healing Through Art," about a papermaking and printmaking studio in South Africa and how it addresses the current issues of the AIDS crisis. As a result of the work of the Artist Proof Studio in Johannesburg, many satellite papermaking and printmaking studios in remote areas of South Africa are dealing with AIDS, unemployment and poverty. The founder of the studio, Kim Berman, started several projects to address the AIDS crisis through art and papermaking. Piroh and Foti will shoot on location in South Africa, interviewing women whose lives have changed as a result of participating in these programs. Piroh is the producer of "Carpe Diem," MSU's award-winning television series aired throughout New Jersey, and has worked extensively in broadcasting. Foti is a master printmaker whose work has appeared in international exhibitions in Sweden, Chile, Czech Republic and France, as well as throughout the United States, and who has given numerous lectures and workshops in South Africa and Botswana.

Rabia Redouane of the Department of French, German and Russian is developing a new course, "Introduction to Islamic Civilization in Spain," that will familiarize students with the historical role of Islam and broaden their awareness and understanding of that religion while investigating the impact of Islam and the Arabs on the civilization of Spain. The course will be offered first in conjunction with a new summer study abroad program in Spain and Morocco in July, which will include explorations of major cities such as Cordoba, Malaga and Cadiz where Islamic civilization was prevalent through the Moors, Arabs and Berbers of North Africa.

Memories of White Nights

BY JENNIFER FUSCO

When Alexey Kuvshinov thinks about his native country, Russia, which he left in 1997, he remembers and misses his friends, his family and one of the most acclaimed natural phenomena: White Nights.

From late May to early July, the nights are bright in St. Petersburg, with the brightest period, the White Nights, normally lasting from mid-June to early July. The White Nights—"Beliye Nochi"—are caused by St. Petersburg's northerly geographical location. As one of the world's most northern cities, it stands at such a high latitude that the sun does not descend below the horizon enough for the sky to grow dark.

"It is so special and hard to describe," said Kuvshinov. "It's like nothing you see anywhere else and it's much different than regular daylight. It is very romantic."

While Kuvshinov has witnessed this extraordinary phenomenon, his experience at Montclair State, he says, has been that of a typical student. "The hardest part is finding the extra time so I could get more involved in campus activities," he said.

But juggling everything is a small sacrifice for someone who, with the goal of pursuing higher education, came to the United States alone. Kuvshinov had finished high school and studied to be a mechanic in Russia, but decided to pursue further opportunities.

Although Kuvshinov came to the United States primarily for an education, he hoped for much more. "I wanted to learn about life and culture on the campus of an American university, to meet other students and make friends," he said. "So far, all my expectations of Montclair State have been met."

Despite being so far from home, Kuvshinov says he's been embraced by the campus community and enjoys being in the United States. "It's a beautiful country with hard-working people," he said. "The people who work on campus are always helpful and pleasant."

The one thing Kuvshinov says he has enjoyed most about Montclair State is the diversity. "It's truly an international community."

Through his experiences, Kuvshinov admits he has been changed. "So much is accessible here," he explained. "I believe I can do anything I want."

Study and Travel with Montclair State this Summer

Wouldn't you like to travel with Montclair State's knowledgeable faculty? See the world and have the opportunity to explore a culture or language? You could travel with a Montclair State faculty member and other curious minds by joining an International Summer Institute. These programs are open to alumni even if they are not enrolled in a graduate program at Montclair State by joining as non-degree professionals for the summer term. All international travel arrangements, housing, faculty-led field trips and overnight excursions are built into the programs to provide a comprehensive cultural experience appropriate to novice as well as experienced travelers.

Literary Russia: The Glory of Russian Culture Through the Eyes of Her Writers (July 1-15) is an international study tour that will explore the Russian literary world and acquaint you with Russian culture through the works of her great novelists and poets. Travelers will see St. Petersburg as Fyodor Dostoyevsky described it in *Crime and Punishment;* see Moscow as it is described in the works of Leo Tolstoy, Vladimir Mayakovsky and Anton Chekhov; visit the village homes of Boris Pasternak and Alexander Pushkin. The tour will acquaint you with the Byzantine and Russian icons in the churches of Moscow and in the ancient city of Pskov and much more. Visits to the Moscow Conservatory, Tchaikovsky's estate and several concerts will provide a musical complement to the trip. Extras include home visits and meetings and conversations with Russian cultural experts. A reading list will be provided to all participants as soon as they register for the trip.

Shakespeare in Performance: Montclair In London (July 24 -Aug. 7) is an in-depth introduction to Shakespeare in performance for theatre lovers, students and practitioners. Participants will attend performances of Shakespearean plays in England's most exciting theatrical venues in London and in Stratford-upon-Avon. In meeting the creative collaborators who make the productions happen, they will gain an insider's view as they examine the theatrical traditions that shape Shakespearean performance today. Additional programming is arranged for participating K-12 teachers to explore adaptations for the classroom. The program includes eight live theater performances at Shakespeare's Globe, the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Royal National Theatre and West End Theatre; lectures, discussions and workshops regarding Shakespeare plays with leading scholars, theater historians, actors, designers, directors and critics; and guided tours of historical sites and backstage at theatres. A reading list of plays will be provided to all participants and the program includes three evening lectures in Montclair prior to departure.

Alumni interested in one-month programs may also consider participating as graduate students in the following programs:

Montclair in Berlin: German Memory Toward a European Future—July 1-Aug. 3
Montclair in Nice: French Language and Civilization—July 1-Aug. 5
Montclair in Siena: Italian Culture and Civilization—July 18-Aug. 21
Montclair in Guadalajara: Latin American Studies—July 1-Aug. 3
Montclair in Madrid: Intermediate and Advanced Spanish Language and Literature—June 30-Aug. 2
Montclair In Seville and Morocco: Islamic Studies—June 23-July 29
Montclair in Shanghai: Chinese Culture and Environment—May 23-June 23

For further information about all the summer study abroad institutes go to: www.montclair.edu/globaled/summer3.htm.

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Alumni Weekend 2004
CONNECTIONS

All alumni are invited to join in the fun. Whether you come solo or bring a friend, you'll feel your connection to Montclair State.

Several groups are actively organizing. If you don't see your group listed here, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141 and we will help you reach out to the people you want to see. There's room for all.

☐ Alumni Weekend 2004 will honor alumni from classes ending in "4" or "9." The Classes of 1949, 1954, 1959 and 1969 have begun to organize. Reunion classes invite the classes of the preceding and succeeding years to celebrate with them.

☐ School of the Arts, especially alumni and friends linked to:

- Department of Broadcasting, Speech/Theater Communications alumni
- Alumni who became art teachers (possible exhibit of their work)
- Music alumni (possible alumni band)

☐ Cooperative Education Program alumni, faculty and mentors celebrating 30 years

☐ Chapin Hall Experimental Living Group, celebrating their 30th reunion

☐ Black Alumni Chapter (we seek donations to the silent auction)

☐ Anyone who loves salsa dancing

Friday, April 30
"Carpe Diem" Celebrates 10 Years with a Special Retrospective
Life Hall

The Department of Broadcasting is hosting this special event and reception, and is inviting all broadcasting alumni (and others interested) to a screening of a special "Carpe Diem"—highlighting clips from the more than 300 shows produced at the DuMont Television Center in the past decade.

Sponsored by the North Jersey Media Group, the award-winning "Carpe Diem" is the longest-running weekly television show produced entirely by faculty, staff and students.

Location, time and ticket price are not yet final. For more information or to get involved with this event, please see the Alumni Events Web site, http://www.montclair.edu/pages/Alumni/Events.htm or call 973-655-5158.

Saturday, May 1—9:30–11 a.m.
50+ Breakfast
Student Center Cafeteria
Alumni from the 50th Reunion Class of 1954 or earlier are our guests.

11 a.m.-noon
Annual Meeting of the Alumni Association
Student Center Cafeteria

12:30-2:30 p.m.
Alumni Association Luncheon for All Alumni
Student Center Ballrooms
This luncheon, which features a "State of the University" message from President Susan A. Cole, brings together alumni from all eras. Tickets are $20 in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door.

2:30 p.m.
Class of 1949 Reception
Student Center
Walking tours of the campus for all alumni led by students.

4-6 p.m.
Cooperative Education 30th Anniversary Celebration
Sokol Seminar Room, Science Hall (first floor)
The Cooperative Education Program will mark its 30th anniversary in collaboration with the Alumni Association at a reception and recognition program. Co-op alumni from all classes are invited to join staff, supervisors and faculty advisers to commemorate the program's three decades of excellence, share their achievements, network and contribute to Co-op's future. Celebrants are also invited to attend the alumni dinner. Cost to be determined. For details, call Freyda Lazarus at 973-655-7202, or e-mail her at lazarusf@mail.montclair.edu.

6-11 p.m.
Dinner for All Alumni
Student Center Ballrooms
6-7 p.m.—Cocktail Hour with cash bar
7-11 p.m.—Dinner with cash bar
6-8 p.m.—Silent auction sponsored by the MSUAA Black Alumni Chapter. Proceeds will benefit the James E. Harris Book Scholarship. Menu features carving stations; music by DJ Danny Dukes '86. Tickets are $45 in advance. No tickets will be sold at the door. Ticket price includes admission to the salsa dance party.

8 p.m.-midnight
Salsa Dance Party
Student Center Rathskeller
Great music, tapas and free salsa lessons. Cash bar. Tickets are $25 for alumni, $15 for current MSU students and staff, in advance and at the door. Advance registration is encouraged, as space is limited.

Alumni Make Connections in Difficult Job Market

BY MICHAEL C. GABRIELE '75

In today's difficult job market, Montclair State recently made it a little easier for alumni to network with potential employers. The University's first Alumni Career Fair attracted more than 200 job seekers who met with employers looking for skilled, knowledgeable workers.

Because many of the employers were fellow alumni, they were well aware of the high quality of the applicants they were meeting.

More than 40 companies participated, most recruiting for sales and financial services positions for organizations involved in banking, investments, real estate and mortgages, accounting and insurance.

The alumni employers said that while they attended the event to screen job applicants, they also felt a deep connection with the University, a joyful commitment to give back to their alma mater and an earnest desire to assist fellow graduates. Offering advice to alumni entering the job market, most employers stressed the advantages of obtaining practical business experience through internships, part-time jobs or volunteer assignments.

Employers said their non-scientific technique for picking out faces in the crowd involves the subtle art of eye contact, communication through body language and the chemistry of human dynamics.

Having participated in numerous college career fairs in recent years, Mary (Sirak) Jarmusch '86, a vice president of human resources with the Bank of New York in West Paterson, said her basic approach for meeting job candidates involves simply standing in front of her tabletop display and striking up conversations.

"I try to engage potential candidates as they pass by," she said. "There's no set formula. You'll talk to most people for five minutes. If I get a good feeling, I'll set up a meeting with the person for further discussions."

Jarmusch, who majored in psychology, has been employed at Bank of New York for nine years. Personal banking representatives and branch sales managers are among the positions her company is looking to fill these days, she said.

Vito Spano '03 of New York Life talks with Erik Stefanski '03.

Pascual Baez '00 talks with Mary Jarmusch '86 of the Bank of New York.

When Cheryl (Vangeli) Maiello '97, a human resources generalist at ImClone Systems Inc., Branchburg—a research and biotechnology organization—first meets a potential job candidate at a career fair, clarity is a key element that gets her attention.

"I like it when job candidates have a well-defined skill set and know what they're looking for," she said.

Though the current business environment is challenging, Maiello, who was a communication major and field hockey player during her undergraduate days, said ImClone has been expanding its operations. She hired 55 people during the first 10 months of 2003—including a recent Montclair State graduate from the College of Science and Mathematics. She added that ImClone also expects to hire a significant number of people next year.

Brian Kuiken '82

A tour of duty in the Peace Corps might not sound like suitable training for a button-down corporate environment, but Timothy Torre '93 touted the program as one that fosters management and leadership skills.

"You need to be a person who can function in unstructured environments," he explained. Torre's unstructured environment while serving as a teacher in the Peace Corps was a 27-month stay in Guinea Bissau in West Africa.

A job with the Peace Corps means working in foreign countries and cultures. "You challenge yourself," Torre said. "It's not a 9-to-5 job."

Today, working as a recruiter for the Peace Corps, Torre said that in terms of job applicants, his organization does attract a different crowd. People tend to seek us out at job fairs, he said.

"They visit our Web site. They have specific questions when they visit us at a career fair. It's not the casual job seeker. The myth about working for the Peace Corps is that you get an assignment and disappear for two years," he continued. "The reality is that you are developing skills that you can use in a number of careers."

For Torre, that means a graduate degree from Seton Hall University to teach English as a second language.

Montclair State alumni have a good track record at the Peace Corps, Torre said, estimating that 150 MSU graduates have worked in the organization.

The intangible alumni spirit of giving back to the University represented the main inspiration for Nick Iannitelli '99 to take part in the career fair. Iannitelli began his career at New York Life immediately after graduation.

"I do feel that connection with Montclair State," he said, noting that he maintains close contact with Ralph DiPietro, one of his professors in the School of Business; Tara Reinecker, academic adviser in Athletics; and Jeannine Parisi of Career Services.

Based at New York Life's office in Saddle Brook, Iannitelli started out as a sales representative; today he is one of the youngest partners in the company. One of Iannitelli's main tasks is to recruit applicants for sales and sales management positions at New York Life.

"When I need to fill a position in my group, I look for ambitious people with good communication skills," he said. "MSU students have those skills."

Iannitelli said he hired six recent MSU graduates: Vito Spano '02, David Mozeika '01, Kristen Jones '01, Ameedah Sellers '01, Claudia Silveira '95 and Lisette Gleeson '98.

Taking part in the career fair was one more way that Joe Wasiuk '83 maintains his heartfelt link with MSU. In recent years he also has participated in mentoring programs and workshops at the University.

Employers, Job Seekers and Mentors

Montclair State's College Central Alumni Job Bank and Online Mentoring Center is active 365 days a year through the University's Web site. There is no fee to employers, alumni or students to use this online resource. In its first year, College Central registered more than 300 employers. Positions posted are current openings. This Job Bank is provided by the Alumni Association. Visit www.montclair.edu/alumni and click on "College Central" to learn more.

A business administration major, Wasiuk is a recruiting manager with Emerald Financial Resources in Bridgewater, a unit of the MassMutual Financial Group Agency. "We're looking for financial services reps," he said. "The market is quite good."

Wasiuk said that when considering candidates for positions in his organization, "their major really doesn't matter that much. It does help if they have some business background. We look for motivated people with an entrepreneurial spirit."

Nick Iannitelli '99 of New York Life goes over company information with Donna Teel-Drake '80.

Timothy Torre '93 of the Peace Corps with Al Smith '72.

Players Maintain Bond Off the Field

BY JEFFREY BARILLI '04

Coping with the loss of his father at a young age, Jim Wassel '73 turned to football as a source for discipline and structure. Quarterback for the Red Hawks in '71 and '72, Wassle says his team had a unique chemistry on the field. "We went 7-3 my last year and won the New Jersey State Athletic Conference," he said, and the bond among the players was instrumental to the team's success. "We had a close-knit group of guys and the momentum of winning created the strength in our camaraderie."

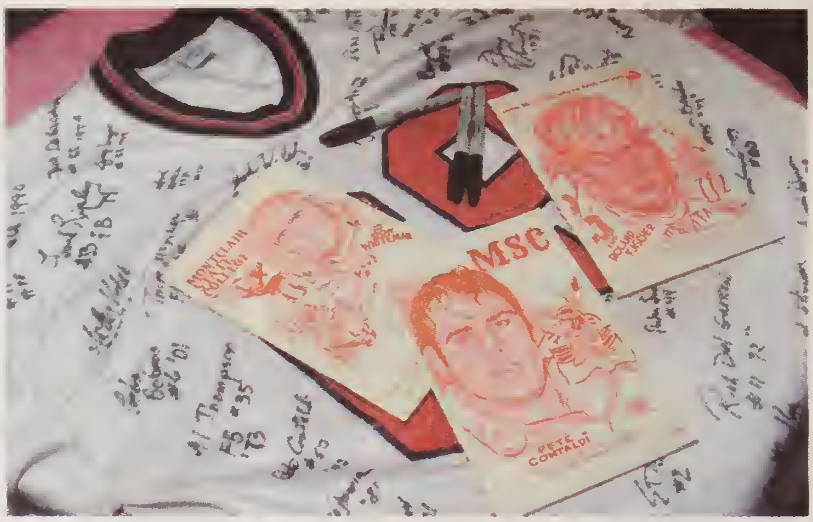
One of Wassel's most memorable games was against rival William Paterson. "They took us by surprise," he said. "But we came back in the second half to beat them."

Wassel began his academic career at Wagner College in New York before transferring to Montclair State to play for "legendary coach" Clary Anderson. "I heard so much about Clary, and I thought Montclair State was the right place to play for him," said Wassel, whose passion on the field carried over to the classroom. "My education from Montclair State was a great experience, and I had no problem getting a job teaching," he said.

After teaching history and economics at Park Ridge High School for 10 years, Wassel changed career paths and went into real estate development. Today he is president of Sandy Hook Partners.

Then Wassel began to think about his college days. "When career and family are under control, you begin to reflect back on your past," he said. So Wassel, a member of the MSU Alumni Association Executive Board, tracked down his former teammates and invited them to join him at this year's Homecoming.

The teammates gathered at a tent set up in the end zone to enjoy good food, reminisce and watch the Red Hawks take on Kean University.



Football alumni were invited to sign a jersey that will be framed and displayed at the Alumni House. More than 70 alumni enjoyed watching the game from the President's Tent, which, along with the signing of a jersey, will become an annual tradition.

"It was a good feeling to catch up with them," he said. "It was amazing how many old stories we remembered."

Catherine Katz, director of Alumni Relations, said the event prompted former athletes in the stands to join the celebration and sign a football jersey that will be framed and displayed in the Alumni House.

"Having these talented and accomplished alumni there brought excitement and a heightened sense of pride to the game," said Katz. (Montclair State beat Kean 9-0.) "Alumni always add a wonderful combination of the past and the future to an event."

After the game, the former football players enjoyed dinner at Tierney's Tavern in Montclair, where they used to gather after their games. "It was just like old times," Wassel said. "You don't realize the important friendships you make in college." His advice to today's college students: "Don't let these days go by so easily."

Wassel and his former teammates have vowed to get together every year for Homecoming and a dinner.

For more pictures from Homecoming and the football reunion, go to www.montclair.edu/homecoming03/Parade.html.

Former football players Jim Wassel '73, Parker Snare '73, Richard Del Guercio '72 and Timothy Kelly '74 reminisce about the good old days as they watch the Red Hawks defeat Kean University, 9-0.

MSU RED HAWKS
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Football players from the 1970s returned to campus on Homecoming day for a mini reunion and to enjoy the game against Kean University.

CAMPUS NEWS

University to open Bristol-Myers Squibb Center

Praising public-private partnerships to promote better science and mathematics training as a model for 21st-century growth, Montclair State plans to open a Bristol-Myers Squibb Center for Science Teaching and Learning. The second of its kind in New Jersey, the center aims to improve the way teachers prepare students in mathematics and science education.

The new facility will house the University's Professional Resources in Science and Mathematics (PRISM) program.

Designed as an incubator for excellence in northern New Jersey, the center is made possible through a $500,000 five-year capital grant from the Bristol-Myers Squibb Company.

"A rudimentary knowledge of mathematical procedures and scientific facts will no longer suffice," said MSU President Susan A. Cole. "All our young people should have a reasonable chance to develop an advanced understanding of mathematics, science, complex problem-solving skills and technological expertise. PRISM, operating within the new Bristol-Myers Squibb Center, will teach best practices to the professionals in mathematics and science who teach our children. PRISM and the Bristol-Myers Squibb Center for Science Teaching and Learning will bring a strong collaboration of Montclair State University scientists and education professors to bear on the design and delivery of this inquiry-centered program initiative."

John L. McGoldrick, executive vice president of Bristol-Myers Squibb, joined Cole for the grant announcement in December at the Department of Education offices in Trenton. He said the pharmaceutical industry has a great interest in ensuring the success of mathematics and science teachers and students.

"Bristol-Myers Squibb has a long-standing commitment to improving science and math teaching and learning. The pharmaceutical industry employs tens of thousands of people in New Jersey and elsewhere around the region, and we rely on qualified and highly skilled scientists," he said. "Our partnership with academia and government strives to give our teachers and their students the finest resources in order to enhance our talent pool and ensure that we continue to have the best scientists in the world."

McGoldrick noted that the Center for Science Teaching and Learning at Montclair State, as well as a similar center at Rider University in Lawrenceville also established with a Bristol-Myers Squibb grant, are logical extensions of a $6 million commitment from the company, started in 1993 to help raise the quality of science education across the nation.

Cole and McGoldrick were joined by higher education officials who emphasized the need to improve learning at the K-12 levels by giving current and future teachers of science and mathematics the skills to use inquiry-based teaching in their classrooms.

Rider University has its Science Education and Literacy Center (SELECT) program in place at its Bristol-Myers Squibb Center for Science Teaching and Learning. SELECT and PRISM are professional development programs for teachers that are recognized and used by public and independent schoolteachers of science throughout the state. They also facilitate active learning for undergraduates preparing to teach science and mathematics.

Hi-tech generosity... Kevin Olsen of Chemistry and Biochemistry examines the equipment recently donated to the department by Boehringer Ingelheim, a pharmaceutical manufacturer in Ridgefield, Conn. The laboratory robots, which had analyzed inhalers for asthma medication in the development of new therapies, will be used by students learning the principles of robotics.

Spanning the UNIVERSITY

University completes sprinkler installation ahead of state deadline

Montclair State has completed the installation of sprinklers in all its residential facilities as required by law, well before the state-imposed July 2004 deadline.

The installation of sprinklers took two years to complete in Bohn, Freeman, Stone and Webster halls. Blanton, Russ and the Clove Road apartments were already equipped. All new residential construction, including The Village at Little Falls, have sprinkler systems.

The University's more than 2,900 beds are now protected by sprinklers. Funds for the installation, costing just over $1 million, came from the state Dormitory Fire and Safety Trust Fund, which provided a no-interest loan.

New Jersey passed a mandatory dormitory sprinkler law in 2000 after a fire at Seton Hall University killed three freshmen and injured more than 50 other students. The legislation was the first of its kind in the nation and gave colleges and boarding schools four years to install sprinkler systems in all residence facilities. According to the National Fire Prevention Association, 35 percent of dormitories across the country have sprinklers.

In July, New Jersey lawmakers introduced the Campus Fire Safety Right to Know Act of 2003. The bill would require colleges and universities to disclose fire safety information including data on fires, alarms, drills, sprinklers and policies relating to offenders of campus fire safety rules.

State Council on the Arts supports MSU theater

The New Jersey State Council on the Arts (NJSCA) awarded $118,305 in grants to TheatreFest and Arts Programming in the School of the Arts. The University will receive $39,435 per year for three years.

"We are honored and pleased to continue our strong relationship with the NJSCA," said John Wooten, director of TheatreFest. "This funding will allow us to continue to develop the work of playwrights through the TheatreFest Regional Playwriting Festival, expand our outreach and educational initiatives through TheatreFest for Kids, support culturally diverse, multidisciplinary arts programs through Great Events and launch the Conversations Series to bring renowned artists in multiple disciplines to campus."

Actress Olympia Dukakis kicked off TheatreFest's Conversations Series in November, and taught a masterclass for theater students.

Wooten said TheatreFest was cited as a "solid university model for an ongoing arts program" and Arts Programming was hailed as being a strong program.

THE JOSEPH AND ELDA
COCCIA INSTITUTE
FOR THE ITALIAN EXPERIENCE IN AMERICA

Mille grazie, auguri, e cent'anni... The official opening of the Joseph and Elda Coccia Institute for the Italian Experience in America was celebrated in the fall. Philanthropist and community leader Cav. Joseph Coccia, Jr. (center) and his wife, Elda (right), joined President Susan A. Cole in unveiling the plaque that marks the Institute in Dickson Hall. The Coccias made a generous pledge to Montclair State to establish and maintain the Institute in perpetuity. The Institute will focus on the historical and contemporary interplay of Italian people, culture and society with American culture and society.

She Stops Traffic!

BY JENNIFER NEIDENBERG '04

LATE SHOW
with David Letterman

Looking for someone to blame for all the traffic jams in midtown Manhattan? Just point your finger at Kathy Mavrikakis, the line producer for the "Late Show with David Letterman." A 1985 graduate of the Broadcasting Department, Mavrikakis is often the one responsible for causing traffic jams in front of the Ed Sullivan Theater at Broadway and 53rd Street whenever her boss feels like having a Civil War re-enactment or playing tic-tac-toe with New York City taxicabs.

Mavrikakis began her 18-year career as an intern for "Late Night with David Letterman" when the irreverent talk show host still worked for NBC. After graduating from Montclair State, she worked briefly for an advertising agency before being hired full time as a receptionist for "Late Night." Over the next 13 years she continued to move up in the ranks, first as an assistant to the associate producer, then production associate, then production coordinator, and then associate producer.

In the early 1990s she accompanied the rest of the 100-person crew to CBS for the "Late Show." Mavrikakis believes that not moving up as quickly as she would have liked is one of the disadvantages of staying with the same company for so long, but she feels there are advantages as well. Working with Letterman for so many years allowed her to gain a greater understanding of what everyone else around her was doing, which, in turn, gave her continued opportunities to take on more responsibilities.

In December 1998, Mavrikakis was promoted to line producer, responsible for coordinating all elements of the production including the budgets for everything from crew to costumes and dealing with the Mayor's Office of Film and Television to arrange permission to close the streets.

Mavrikakis returned to Montclair State last spring as part of a senior seminar class taught by Patricia Piroh '88 '92 M.A. to speak to broadcasting students about her experience in the television industry. She says her job is different every day, and even the most difficult task can be fun. "It's such a kick to watch New Yorkers enjoy what we're doing," she said.

She advised the soon-to-be graduates that internships should be considered a testing-ground time when they need to make themselves valuable, work hard and impress, and that the most important thing, especially in her job, is to prioritize daily.

While Mavrikakis declined to comment on the temperature inside the Ed Sullivan Theater, she did admit that outside the theater the traffic tie-ups are her fault.

Former President David W.D. Dickson Passes Away

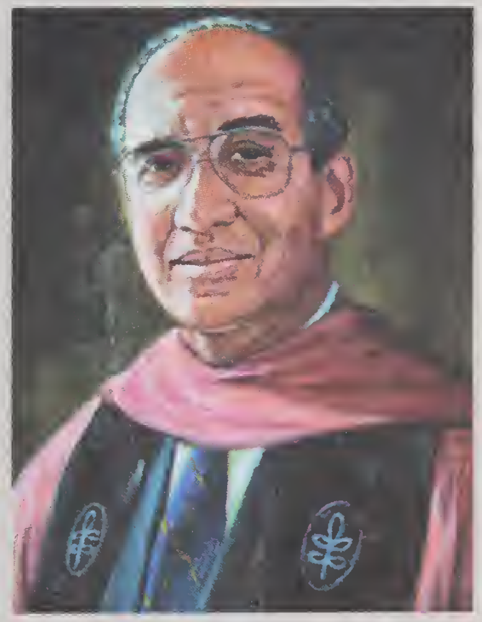
Former Montclair State President David W.D. Dickson, the first African-American president to head one of New Jersey's public four-year colleges, passed away Dec. 10 at his home in Palm Coast, Fla. He was 84.

Dickson served as the fifth president from 1973 to 1983 during a period of rapid growth as Montclair State completed the transition from teachers school to comprehensive college. "Many of today's senior faculty members were hired by David as the University sought to accommodate the baby boom generation," said Provost Richard Lynde. "His decisions about personnel ultimately shaped the University for more than a generation."

A graduate of Bowdoin College and Harvard University, Dickson was an expert in 17th-century English literature and a scholar in the poetry of John Milton. He returned to the faculty as a Distinguished Professor of English for several years prior to his retirement in 1984.

"Those of us who had the privilege of knowing and working with David will remember him as a scholar and gentleman in the very best sense of both those words," Lynde said.

Dickson is survived by his wife, Barbara; a son, David; two daughters, Deirdre Dickson and Deborah Jones; a stepson, Robert Mickey; a stepdaughter, Sharon Mickey; a sister, Lois Rice-Fitt; and six grandchildren.



Portrait of David W.D. Dickson, which hangs in College Hall.

ALUMNI NEWS

Calling all alumni of the Cooperative Education Program

After helping to launch the careers of 15,900 students in collaboration with more than 2,200 business and not-for-profit partners, the Co-op Program is about to celebrate another important milestone—30 years of fostering work-based learning.

To celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Co-op Program, we'd like to reach our alums.

If you would like to help plan a reunion for the May 1 Alumni Weekend, arrange a co-op position in your organization, advise our staff about emerging trends or communicate with your co-op faculty adviser, call Freyda Lazarus, director of the program, at 973-655-7202, or send an e-mail to lazarusf@mail.montclair.edu.

MSUAA announces new benefit for small business owners

The Alumni Association is working to expand its benefits to members. A number of affinity partnerships offering a range of benefits to alumni are being developed. Details will be available as contracts are signed over the coming year. The first new offering will benefit alumni who work for or run companies with 20 to 250 employees. The MSUAA has entered into an affinity partnership with COMPSolutions PEO (Professional Employer Organization).

A PEO is a firm with expertise in human resources management, employee benefit design and administration, tax filing and administration, and compliance with state and federal workplace legislation. PEOs also handle the development and administration of employment policies and procedures, employee recruitment and disciplinary actions, and unemployment, disability, and workers' compensation claims and administration.

A study by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) indicates the average small-business owner spends between 7 and 25 percent of his or her time handling employee-related paperwork, at a cost of about $1,700 a year per employee. A PEO assumes the administrative burdens and can provide economies of scale in the purchase of benefits and workers' compensation insurance.

COMPSolutions was selected as one of "New Jersey's Finest" by *NJBIZ* in September 2003, making it one of the state's top 25 finest privately held companies. COMPSolutions' president, Thomas Cioffe, was named as a finalist in Ernst & Young's competition for "Entrepreneur of the Year" in both 2002 and 2003 and he is serving his second term as president of the New Jersey Association of PEOs.

To learn more about the preferred provider relationship with COMPSolutions PEO, call 1-800-654-4234 and state that you are seeking information about the program for MSU alumni.

The Alumni Association does not make any representations about the products marketed by preferred providers, and encourages alumni to conduct due diligence when deciding whether platform providers can meet their needs.

Keep in touch via e-mail

In the interest of saving precious budget dollars and trees, let us keep in touch with you via e-mail about exciting opportunities and events at Montclair State. A monthly e-newsletter is available to all alumni.

Whether it's an invitation to attend a conversation with Olympia Dukakis or news about a new benefit for alumni, the Alumni Association wants to keep you in the loop.

To quickly and easily update your e-mail address, go to www.montclair.edu/alumni and click on "Update Your Information." Or you can register with the MSU Alumni Online Community at www.msualumcommunity.com.

MONTCLAIR STATE

Come Back to College Day... Alumni from the Class of 1954 as well as those from classes in the 1940s returned to their alma mater for "Come Back to College Day." The event marked the beginning of the 50th reunion celebration for the class of 1954. Pictured, from left, are Mario Farina '49, Gertrude Morris '40, Leonard Morris '41, Marion (Salvatore) Bruno '49, Marie (Mauriello) Scotti '49, Katherine (Pressimone) Zaretski '49, Diane (Baliman) Kluth '54, Paula (Zoppo) DePaola '54, Joan and Jim McGilvray '41, past president of the Alumni Association Board. Catherine Katz, director of Alumni Relations, thanks everyone who made the alumni's visit special.

Once upon a time at Montclair State... It was standing lawn only in front of the Bond House as hundreds of spectators gathered to watch the student groups and organizations dance and sing to one-of-a-kind interpretations of fairy tales. From Peter Pan and Snow White to Shrek and the Three Little Pigs, this year's performances had the young and old singing along. To see more pictures from Homecoming, go to www.montclair.edu/homecoming03.

Gymnastics team members invited to celebrate

Members of MSU's gymnastics team from 1983 to 1988 are invited to the 20th anniversary celebration of the National Collegiate Gymnastics Association. For more information about the event, go to www.mit.edu/~ncga/reunion.htm.

Survey for new graduates

Time is running out for the class of 2002 to respond to the survey of recent graduates. The survey can be completed online at http://frontpage.montclair.edu/vpbpit/surveys/2002grads.htm. For more information, call 973-655-7677.

Vote for the 2004-05 Alumni Association Executive Board

Every active member of the MSUAA (those who donate to the Annual Fund) is invited to vote on the new slate of officers and members. Call 973-655-4141 or go to http://www.montclair.edu/pages/Alumni/ExecutiveBoard.htm for the slate and ballot.

Proposed by-laws change: At the annual meeting of the MSU Alumni Association on May 1, a vote will be taken on the following proposed change to the by-laws: Article VII Elections, Section 4. Delete the final sentence, "The officers and other members shall be ineligible to succeed themselves after having served a maximum of 10 consecutive years as a member or officer."

Calendar of Events

For information about the following events, call the Alumni Relations Office at 973-655-4141 or go to www.montclair.edu/alumni.

March 31: Margaret and Herman Sokol Science Lecture featuring Rita Colwell, director, National Science Foundation. 8 p.m. Free to alumni.

April 8: Alumni Happy Hour. Check the Web site for time and location. Happy hours are a great place to connect with fellow alumni in an informal setting.

April 30-May 1: Alumni Weekend. (See page 7 for more details.)

May 6: Annual Superintendents Breakfast. Open to all alumni who serve or have served as school superintendents. Call for an invitation if you haven't received one.

Many events take place on campus each day. For a list of music, theater, art exhibits, sporting events, lectures and more, go to www.montclair.edu/calendar.

You've got connections at the new MSU Alumni Online Community

The new Montclair State University Alumni Online Community Web site, www.msualumcommunity.com, features:

- ☐ online, searchable alumni directory;
- ☐ yellow pages where you can list your business;
- ☐ online class notes with photos;
- ☐ chapters, reunions and group pages;
- ☐ online photo albums;
- ☐ Web postcards;
- ☐ links to other useful and interesting Web sites; and
- ☐ much more.

This password-protected site is accessible only to Montclair State alumni. Registration will be faster if you know your MSU Alumni Personal Identification Number (PIN). To obtain your PIN, call the Office of Alumni Relations at 973-655-4141 or contact us via e-mail at alumni@mail.montclair.edu.

The MSU Alumni Online Community is brought to you by Montclair State University and the Montclair State University Alumni Association.

That's Life

Compiled by Deborah Corasio and Jennifer Fusco.

Send information for "That's Life" to Montclair State University Office of Alumni Relations, 1 Normal Ave., Upper Montclair, NJ 07043 or online at www.montclair.edu/alumni.

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Fordyce W. Baker Jr., long-time writer for *The Sentinel* of Franklinville, had a series of stories in which he looked back on his military career during World War II printed in the newspaper.

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Eleanor Bill Calvin retired from her position as minister of music at the Rehoboth Congregational Church in Rehoboth, Mass., where she served more than six years. She continues teaching piano, organ and voice at her home studio.

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Jean Carey Candee had her book, *Kutch*, published. Written under her pen name, L.J. London, *Kutch* is the story of a Vietnam veteran whose post traumatic stress disorder threatens to ruin his marriage.

Eileen Dolch Waters was honored by Trico Corporation in Hollywood, Md. for her work as clinical therapist and supervisor of clinical counseling interns.

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Dorothea D. Hooper '58 M.A. received the 2003 Excellence in Teaching Award from Southern New Hampshire University. She is an adjunct professor of history and humanities on the Portsmouth campus.

Marie Marra McGuire retired after 48 years in education. She spent 32 years as chair of the guidance department in Cedar Grove High School. The Board of Education named the high school auditorium the Marie J. McGuire Auditorium in her honor.

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John T. Riordan was honored by the International Council of Shopping Centers (ICSC) with the renaming of its school for professional development as the John T. Riordan ICSC School for Professional Development. Riordan served as the staff head, president and CEO of ICSC from 1986 until 2001 when he became vice chair of the worldwide trade association with 44,000 members in more than 80 countries. He serves as chair of the Center of Real Estate of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT). ICSC has also established a scholarship program in his name.

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Yvonne Lovrincich Favaro has written Prentice Hall's latest high school textbook, *Physical Science*, and served as an associate editor for its new high school textbook, *Biology*. Favaro is also chair of the Englewood Cliffs Shade Tree Commission.

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Donald Bowers, director of administrative services and community relations at Ethicon, a Johnson & Johnson Company based in Bridgewater, spoke at the Matheny School and Hospital's graduation in June. Bowers is familiar with Matheny, which provides a full educational program for residential and day students ages 3-21 with multiple disabilities, because of the involvement of his company. He has served on several volunteer boards and is the recipient of awards for community service including Humanitarian with a Heart from the American Heart Association in May.

Lorraine Majewski Graham, a former high school guidance counselor in Union County, is the president of Annandale-based Your College Advisor, which specializes in helping students with college searches, application processes and how to finance an education.

Alan Hook was an honoree of the 2002-03 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program, named by the South Plainfield Board of Education. Hook has been an educator in South Plainfield for his 29-year teaching career. He teaches physical education at John F. Kennedy School (K-5). He also serves as Web master for Kennedy's Web site, assists at the school's Parent Teacher School Organization functions and has served as the head gymnastics and baseball coach.

Pat Tesman of Gianettino & Meredith Advertising, Inc., Short Hills, co-chaired the 14th Annual Advertising Career Day for college students at Montclair State University. Sponsored by the New Jersey Advertising Club, this year's event featured Dr. Rob Gilbert of the Department of Health Professions, Physical Education, Recreation and Leisure Studies.

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Anthony Barbary '74 M.A., assistant superintendent of schools for the Clifton School District, is retiring after 31 years to pursue his love of music. For 28 years, Barbary has performed keyboard and electric bass in bands around the area. He also looks forward to traveling with his wife of 29 years, Louise, who retired from teaching in Clifton last year.

Robert J. Bolan, an attorney in Marlboro, has been reappointed as a trustee of the New Jersey State Bar Foundation, an organization that promotes law-related education and offers state residents a basic understanding of the legal system. He has been a member of the Foundation's Mock Trial Committee since 1995 and also is a member of the Monmouth County Bar, New Jersey State Bar and New Jersey Defense Associations.

Ron Orlando '77 M.A. had his artwork displayed at Canal Frame-Crafts Gallery in Washington Crossing, Pa. He paints in acrylic and is inspired by the outdoors. His paintings depict a range of subjects from birds and wildlife to florals, still lifes and landscapes. He has been a participant in the Arts for the Parks competition in Wyoming and in 1995 received a grant from the Dodge Foundation to paint in Yellowstone National Park. Recent honors include being chosen by the Minnesota Whitetail Deer Hunters Association as Artist of the Year and a 2002 award of merit from the Kentucky National Wildlife Exhibit. Orlando has also been a teacher for the past 30 years.

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Nancy Lalka Longo was named a teacher of the year for the Hammonton School District.

Longo, a computer technology instructor at the middle school, has taught for 28 years in the district. She previously taught business-related courses at the high school.

Michael P. Siklosi, who retired after 25 years with Procter & Gamble, has begun a consulting business with his wife **Mary Ann Leonard Siklosi** in Bar Harbor, Me.

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Linda E. Healy, a supervisor for the cultural, mathematics, science, world language and professional development programs for the Central Regional School District in Ocean County, has been awarded the Excellence in Cultural Education award by the Visiting International Faculty Program. As supervisor, she is responsible for the teachers and curriculum for grades 7-12.

Jeanette Hile '77 M.A., music professor, choir director and chair of the Voice Department at Seton Hall University, was appointed music director of the Morris Choral Society. Hile is well known in the Morris County area as a former music director at Roxbury High School and for her previous involvement with the United Church of Christ in Mountain Lakes, Parsippany Hills High School and Montville public schools. She plans to combine the Seton Hall choir and the Morris Choral Society for future concerts.

Angela Stuehler M.A., was named the 2003 New Jersey "Worker of the Year." Stuehler teaches at the Kean University Skills Center in Linden, as well as English as a Second Language for the Elizabeth Board of Education. In her essay on teaching, which was chosen from among 3,300 entries, she wrote that she "feels like a lottery winner each time her students pass the GED (General Educational Development) exam and go on to further their education."

Stuehler was awarded $250 plus a $200 gift certificate to the Williamson-Dickie Manufacturing Company, sponsor of the contest.

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Nancy Happle Jorgensen was appointed assistant superintendent for Human Resources at the Southern Westchester Board of Cooperative Education in Rye Brook, N.Y. Jorgensen received a doctorate from Teachers College, Columbia University.

Marilyn Steneken, a science teacher at Sparta Middle School, was one of six New Jersey finalists in a national program recognizing exemplary teaching. A teacher for 31 years, Steneken has taught seventh-grade life science since 1999. She has won other teaching awards including a Governor's Teacher Recognition award in 2000 and a New Jersey Best Practice in 2002 for her "Raising Trout in the Classroom" instructional program.

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Peter Eftychiou '77 M.A., principal of Cresskill Junior/Senior High School, was invited by the Japanese Chamber of Commerce to visit Japanese schools to get a better understanding of the similarities and differences between the American and Japanese educational systems. He was among 14 educators from New York and New Jersey who visited schools on the elementary, junior high, high school and college levels, and learned about reforms the Japanese Minister of Education is implementing.

Reverend Donald Hummel M.A. celebrated the 25th anniversary of his ordination and the township of Scotch Plains passed a resolution honoring the occasion. He was named pastor of St. Bartholomew Parish in Scotch Plains in 2000.

Father Daniel Kelly was named pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary in Wayne. Father Kelly, who was ordained in 1987, has served as parochial vicar of the parish since 1998.

Rosanne Zagatta '76 M.A. was named principal of Jefferson School in Hawthorne. Zagatta, who has 16 years of experience in the Hawthorne School District, is the only female principal among seven administrators in the district. Besides teaching social studies at Hawthorne High School and Lincoln Middle School, Zagatta has been principal of the Passaic County Educational Services Commission's summer school program at the high school for two years.

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Maria Priadka Ochrimenko is celebrating the 30th anniversary of Priadka School of Dance in South Orange, where she is school director. She is a graduate of the Dance Educators of America Teachers Training School and a member of DEA, an organization that ensures ethical practices and provides modern methods in the teaching of dance. She is also certified by the Dance Masters of America.

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Barbara Buono has served in the State Senate since 2002. First elected to the State Legislature in 1994, Buono has sponsored a wide range of legislation dealing with alcohol abuse and education, motor vehicle regulation, environmental protection and children's rights. She is a member of the Senate Community and Urban Affairs Committee, Senate Health, Human Services and Senior Citizens Committee, Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee, and Intergovernmental Relations Commission.

Kenneth F. Knapp retired after 28 years of teaching. His most recent teaching job was at Springstead High in Spring Hill, Fla. Knapp continues to substitute.

Dion Smith was honored for his 25 years of coaching boys' track. For the past 14 years he has coached at Manalapan. Smith was a 220/440-yard sprinter at Montclair State in the 1970s. He has coached a number of state, shore conference and Monmouth County champions throughout this career.

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Frank Alvarez was named superintendent of schools for the Township of Montclair. Former superintendent of River Vale schools since 1997, Alvarez previously served in Montclair where he was principal of Nishuane Elementary School and of Mt. Hebron Middle School. He is also the vice president of the MSU Alumni Association.

Debra Eckert-Casha M.A. '80 was named vice president of the New Jersey State Board of Education. She has served on the State board since 2001. She has held teaching posts in the field of Family and Consumer Science at MSU and the College of Saint Elizabeth. Eckert-Casha serves as a trustee for the Montville UNICO Foundation and the Lakeland Bank Advisory Board, and has been recognized for her community dedication, including being named Citizen of the Year in 1999 by the Montville Chamber of Commerce and Person of the Year in 2002 by Montville UNICO. Eckert-Casha is an attorney at the firm of Casha, Casha & Schepis in Montville.

Stephen Makar was promoted to captain assigned to Operations by the Bridgewater police department. Makar has 26 years of law enforcement experience and was previously with the Perth Amboy and Rutgers police departments. He joined the Bridgewater police department in 1980.

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Irene Dee Schachter M.A. was awarded an international prize for her portrait work and is listed in *Who's Who in America, 2003*.

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Robert R. Berckes was named the principal of St. Mary's High School in Rutherford. Known as "Dr. Bob" because he is a licensed chiropractor, he was the school's Dean of Discipline from 1983 to 1987. Although he left to run his two Hudson County chiropractic offices and to teach physical education at Immaculate Conception in Secaucus, Berckes returned to St. Mary's to teach biology and chemistry in summer school then later as an anatomy and physiology teacher.

Kerry Huntington M.A. was appointed interim supervisor of Special Programs by the Ridgewood Board of Education. For the past nine years, Huntington served as the district's preschool learning disabilities teacher and consultant, and coordinator of the Ridgewood Early Developmental Program at the Glen School. She is a member of the Bergen County Early Intervention Collaborative and is a speaker and staff development presenter on various topics regarding special education.

Philip Israel was named director of the Westfield Memorial Library. For the past 10 years he has been director of the Sadie Pope Dowdell Public Library in South Amboy. Israel is a member of the New Jersey Library Association and Infoling, a regional library organization.

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Donald Guida M.A., social studies teacher at Hanover Park High School and district golf coach, was appointed the district supervisor of communication arts. Guida, a 23-year veteran of Hanover Park, will administer the language arts, social studies and world language departments at both Hanover Park and Whippany Park high schools.

Karen Horwitz, an art teacher at Bridgeton High School, was one of three judges of a regional juried art exhibit featuring "Nature and the Landscape: An Environmental Perspective," displayed through original paintings, drawings and sculptures at Gallery 50 in Bridgeton.

Printmaker **Jennifer Hilton M.A.** had her work displayed in an art exhibition at Wachusett Meadow Wildlife Sanctuary, Massachusetts Audubon Society. Her work was inspired by the natural images and beauty of the preserve.

Christopher Mattaliano was named general director of the Portland Opera. Mattaliano has directed five operas in Portland since 1992 and brings more than 25 years' experience working with top-level professionals in the creation and direction of more than 50 new productions.

Vivian Olshen M.A., co-president of the Arts Council of Livingston, exhibited her work at the fifth annual "Art at the Oval" in the town's park. Olshen, a painting instructor at the Jewish Community Center of Metropolitan New Jersey in West Orange, has had her works displayed in collections in the United States and Canada.

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Michelle M. Schott M.A. is an associate with the Morristown-based law firm Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti LLP. Schott has experience in insurance litigation, employment law, products liability and appellate practice. She earned a law degree from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1985.

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Brian M. Cige, a lawyer with offices in Somerville and Princeton, was installed as the 102nd president of the Somerset County Bar Association. His primary area of practice is employment law on behalf of individuals.

Lorraine H. Kowalski M.A. received the Gumption Award from the New Jersey Group Against Smoking Pollution in recognition of her ability to advocate for smoke-free restaurants, to organize community anti-smoking events and to educate the public in the area of tobacco control. Kowalski spent 14 years as a health educator at Visiting Nurse and Health Services of Elizabeth. She is a grant manager for the Union County Literacy Information and Communication System (LINCS) Tobacco Control Program.

Michael Pucciarelli, a partner in the Lawrence-based accounting firm Bartolomei Pucciarelli, gave a talk on "Building Business Value" at a free Trenton Small Business Week event. Pucciarelli's 12-person firm has been in practice for 22 years.

Reverend Willard Ashley is the director of Care for the Caregivers, a post-Sept. 11 program to train New York clergy to deal with disasters and crises. Ashley is a founding pastor of the Abundant Joy Christian Center, a Baptist congregation in Jersey City.

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Michelle Hutton

Michelle Hutton and other representatives of Girl Scouts, San-Diego Council and c3 Communications won a prestigious national award for outstanding achievement in strategic public relations planning and implementation. A Silver Anvil Award was presented to the Council for Operation Thin Mint (OTM), a program that sent hundreds of thousands of boxes of Girl Scout cookies and handwritten notes of support to U.S. troops deployed oversees. Hutton's contributions to the program included designing the OTM logo and creating the media kit, which won an Edward L. Bernays Mark of Excellence Award from the local chapter of the Public Relations Society of America. She also coordinated the cookie transportation with APL, a shipping company.

Donna Occhipinti was named marketing manager of Visiting Physician Services, P.C. in Eatontown, a physician-based organization providing house call services to homebound and elderly patients. Occhipinti will oversee the organization's marketing, advertising and public relations efforts. She has more than 20 years of marketing experience within the financial services, pharmaceutical and retail industries. Occhipinti also serves as co-leader of the Union County Chapter of Mothers and More, a not-for-profit organization that supports women who have altered their career paths in order to care for their children at home.

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Glenn Cesa was named principal of Verona High School. He joined the Verona district in 1993 as high school vice principal and was named principal in 1996. After only a year, however, he left his education career to become vice president of human resources for his family's business, Coin Deport Corp. of Elizabeth. He returned to Verona High School in 1999 as vice principal.

Roseann Humphrey M.A. has been named superintendent of the Madison School District and principal of its only school, Rockaway Valley School. Humphrey came to Madison schools three and a half years ago after working in the Kearny district for 27 years, 17 of which were spent as an elementary school teacher and 10 years as director of curriculum and testing and director of technology. She most recently served as the assistant school superintendent in Madison.

Joseph Tonzola M.A. was named principal of Wall Township's Intermediate School. Tonzola spent 26 years of his career within the school, teaching a variety of subjects including social studies, study skills and computers.

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Janice Austin was recognized by Weichert Realtors' Hamburg office for leading in resale marketed listings. She is a member of the Sussex County Board of Realtors.

Michael J. D'Argenio joined the board of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society Greater North Jersey Chapter. D'Argenio is a vice president of Ambac Financial Group, Inc., where his responsibilities include the accounting and reporting of the organization's reinsurance function. He is a certified public accountant and certified cash manager.

Maria Glaser-Roeser owns and operates Stonehill Pottery Shop out of her home in Newfoundland, featuring her own creations. Roeser taught pottery classes for adults and children at Ramapo and Indian Hills high schools for two years and has had her work exhibited at juried shows in the area.

Gerard D. McIntyre directed the Actors Theatre of Louisville's production of "Ain't Misbehavin'" in August. As an actor, McIntyre has appeared in Broadway and national touring productions of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," "Chicago" and "Anything Goes," and roles on "Murphy Brown," "Caroline in the City" and "NYPD Blue." He previously directed "Once On This Island" for the Louisville Theater.

Ronald Silverman was appointed vice president of client relations at Executive Jet Management (EJM). Silverman, who will be based at EJM's Woodbridge office, was most recently regional vice president of client services at TAG Aviation USA.

Paul Zetelski was featured in an article in *The Record* of Bergen County headlined "Letting the sunshine in; from carriages to autos, a company adapts," about his family's 23-year-old business, A. Purich and Co. of which he serves as president.

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James M. Caltagirone was admitted as a partner in the San Jose, Calif. office of Ernst & Young LLP. Caltagirone also was named area markets leader for the human capital tax services practice in the west zone and will be responsible for developing and implementing tax planning strategies with a focus on cost optimization, business performance improvement, workforce globalization and learning solutions.

Kim Personett Campbell joined Ivy Mortgage as a loan processor. Campbell has worked for 18 years in the mortgage industry, including serving as a loan officer and processor for various mortgage companies and Commerce Bank.

Dianne Traflet is assistant dean and director of lay ministry at Immaculate Conception Seminary/School of Theology at Seton Hall University. After a career in law, Traflet moved to Rome to study theology and eventually earned a doctorate.

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John Costantino was appointed manager for the accounting firm of Abraham, Borda & Co. He is a certified public accountant and has been employed by the firm for six years.

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Claire Elise Katz M.A. had her book, *Levinas, Judaism and the Feminine: The Silent Footsteps of Rebecca*, published on Nov. 21, 2003.

Dawn Ward Lau and her husband Jim's The Dawn Lau Dance Company gave its first full-length performance at Ramapo College in October. Lau performed in national tours more than 15 years before starting her own dance company. Although she works by day as a landscape architect, Lau is the company's managing director.

Sam Mills marked his sixth season as Carolina Panthers' linebacker coach. Mills registered 501 career tackles and was an annual Division-III All-American selection at MSU. He played nine seasons for the New Orleans Saints before retiring in 1997 with Carolina. During his career, he started 171 of 181 games he played in the NFL.

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Judith Lapides M.A. had her paintings on exhibit at The Lawrenceville School. Lapides's works include canvas paintings in both oil and water-based paints.

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John V. Orrick has been promoted to claim manager at The Hartford's Southeast Regional Claims Center in Tampa, Fla.

Marisa Merrigan Robertazzi had a selection of her watercolors on exhibit at the Nutley Public Library. Robertazzi has been a commissioned portraitist for the past 10 years and also has been commissioned to do floral watercolors for Secretary of State Colin Powell and former Attorney General Bill Bennett. In addition to her works on paper, Robertazzi has worked in the field of decorative arts for 15 years. Her hand-painted decorative accessories have been sold in local boutiques as well as New York City. She has also designed and built many stage sets throughout New Jersey. She is employed as an artist-in-residence at the Growing State Theatre Company in Netcong.

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Joseph Cahill performed a tribute show at the 12 Miles West Theatre in Montclair. The show, "Heartbreak Hotel: A Tribute to Elvis," was his 15th solo concert since 1998. Cahill, a tenor whose repertoire includes everything from current pop music to the operatic stylings of Andrea Boccelli, has recorded two CDs and is working on a new recording in New York City.

Benjamin Grieco M.A. was named principal of the Brooklake School in Florham Park. Grieco spent 21 years at Florham Park's Ridgedale Middle School as a teacher of Spanish and French for grades 7 and 8, and of English for grade 6. He held the position of head teacher before leaving the district to become vice principal at the middle school and then acting principal in a K-4 school in Sparta before returning to Florham Park.

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Douglas J. Bollinger is an acting instructor at the newly opened Shore Performing Arts Center in Long Branch, which offers instruction in dance, acting, art and physical fitness. His acting credits include ABC-TV's "All My Children," and he co-wrote the soon-to-be released film "Mail Order Bride" starring Danny Aiello.

Tara Malooly Bratek owns and operates meow! bow-wow! a cat sitting and dog walking service in Montclair.

James A. Jimenez, CPA, has merged his practice with the firm of Fass and Associates, CPAs, PC. Jimenez has been in public accounting for 10 years. He is an active member of the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants as well as the Morris County Chamber of Commerce.

Glenn Kaplinsky M.A. was a featured guest lecturer at the Frelinghuysen Arboretum in Morristown where he spoke on Union Civil War General Henry Warner Slocum. A doctoral candidate at Drew University, he is an expert in working with primary sources and original historical documents. His dissertation is on the life of General Slocum.

Scott Massaro M.A., a clinical psychologist, recently joined the United States Air Force. He attended officer training school at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery, Ala., and was commissioned as a captain when he graduated. He is stationed at Cannon Air Force Base in Clovis, N.M.

James F. McKenna M.A. has joined Monroe Community College as an instructor in the health and physical education department. McKenna had been an adjunct there since 1996.

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Sal Anderton was appointed legislative liaison for the New Jersey Department of Labor, coordinating lobbying and legislative efforts on behalf of the department. Anderton previously worked for the New Jersey State Legislature and legislative counsel and for the chief of staff for state legislators.

Robert Famularo has been appointed assistant principal of the Eisenhower Middle School in Wyckoff. His most recent position was director of curriculum and instruction at the Alpine public school system. He previously was an elementary school teacher in the Cresskill public schools and a middle school teacher at Brookside School in Allendale, in addition to serving as varsity football and girls softball coach at Cresskill High.

Stephen Marotta M.A., a sports artist, had his work on display at Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside. Marotta has been creating art since childhood and eventually combined a passion and intensity for sports with artwork. A visual specialist with the Elizabeth school system, Marotta has had his work displayed at local galleries throughout the metropolitan area and is currently planning a one-person show.

Pam A. Miller M.S. was honored as Bergen Country Teacher of the Year. Miller has been a teacher at New Milford High School for 25 years and chair of the math department since 1994.

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Kathleen Casiero is an eighth-grade integrating reading and language arts teacher at Heritage Middle School in Livingston. Her previous job was as the media specialist in the Riverdale Public Schools and prior to that she taught language arts at Grover Cleveland Middle School in Caldwell.

Nancy Gigante M.A. is the new assistant principal at Parsippany Hills High School. Previously she was assistant principal at Sparta High School and prior to that she taught English at Parsippany Hills High School.

Frank Lattal M.A. was appointed chief claims officer at ACE Limited. Lattal will oversee all aspects of claim management and administration for the ACE Group of Companies worldwide, which provides insurance and reinsurance. He has more than 20 years of legal and claims experience, and has been with ACE since 1998.

Michael C. Russonella received a doctor of osteopathic medicine degree from Lake Erie College of Osteopathic Medicine. He is doing an internship at Peninsula Hospital in Long Island to be followed by a residency in orthopedic surgery.

Trevor Weigle M.A. was appointed Bloomfield's director of Health and Human Services. As township health officer, Weigle oversees a staff of 26 and a budget of more than $1 million.

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Karen Bartholomew, M.A. was accepted into the BMI Jazz Composers Workshop in New York City. She is a jazz vocalist and teaches vocal music in the Lincoln Park Elementary School.

Keri L. O'Meara is coach of the new softball program at Wellesley College, which is scheduled to begin intercollegiate varsity competition in spring 2005. She is a former All-American outfielder and soccer player for MSU where she was named Goalkeeper of the Year in 1995. O'Meara spent the last two seasons as an assistant coach at Dartmouth College and before that, served as an assistant for two seasons at Bloomsburg University.

Joseph N. Ranieri received a law degree from City University in New York.

Darryl Patrick Rankin is the executive general manager of Lenox Terrace, a 1,700-unit apartment complex in Manhattan.

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Brian Carey teaches science at Livingston High School. He previously taught biology and chemistry at Whippany Park High School where he was the recipient of the Outstanding Educator Award. He also received the Morris

County Coach of the Year award from the *Newark Star-Ledger* for 2002 boys' tennis and coached boys' soccer to a state title in 2001 and to the state finals in 2000.

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Eric Cameron '01 M.A. was hired as a full-time professor at Passaic County Community College.

Heather Campagno directed the Brick Children's Community Theatre production of "Bye, Bye Birdie." She also runs musical theater programs for children.

Dana Marie Edreos was named program manager at Phoenix Marketing Solutions in Warren, N.J. Dana will head a team of five professionals and manage medical education programs for Sanofi-Synthelabo. Before joining Phoenix, she was at Thomason Physicians World in Secaucus.

Mark D. Henry was promoted to manager of e-business for IBM's Web hosting division. He is beginning his sixth year with the company. Henry is pursuing an M.B.A. from Stevens Institute of Technology and expects to graduate in spring 2005.

Michael Maiorana M.A. was named vice president of federal government wireless operations, a new division of Verizon Wireless. Maiorana is responsible for managing customer service, negotiating customer agreements and ensuring compliance within the company's field sales organization in working with federal government accounts nationwide. Formerly director of Verizon's Communications Store channel in the Philadelphia region, Maiorana has 13 years of experience in the wireless industry.

Frank P. Orofino was named senior vice president of Boiling Springs Savings Bank in Rutherford. Orofino is the bank's chief credit officer and director of loan administration. He has been with Boiling Springs for 10 years. He is a licensed public accountant who has served as past president/state director of the Institute of Financial Education and a former member of the Financial Managers Society.

Yaniv Segal was appointed regional manager of Central Pennsylvania properties by Westminster Management Company. Segal previously served as property manager for five of Westminster Management's communities in southern New Jersey.

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Robert DeCarlo teaches world literature at Don Bosco Preparatory High School in Ramsey where he also is the winter and spring track and field coach.

Robert L. Melchionne was appointed assistant branch manager of the Bethlehem West Community Banking Center of Patriot Bank, Pottstown and Montgomery County in Pennsylvania. He was formerly an associate manager of UBS Paine Webber's Corporate Employee Financial Services.

Linda Robins

Linda Robins M.A. was promoted to full professor at Bergen Community College. Robins celebrates her 35th year of service as a professor of French in the world languages and cultures discipline at the college. Robins founded the Bergen Community College Native American Day in 1996 and coordinates the World Languages Friday Film Festival. She was a recipient of the Penfield Fellowship for Studies in Diplomacy, International Affairs and Belles-Lettres from New York University. She is also a certified reflexologist and acupressure practitioner, a musician and an oil painter.

Nanette LaCapra Rotonda M.A. serves as vice principal at Belleville High School. In addition to teaching, she also has worked as a guidance counselor and coordinator for the academically talented program and wrote the curriculum for the third-grade academically talented program in language arts.

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Rawn S. Sahai graduated from basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, San Antonio, Texas.

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Nancy Duva M.A. was named director of Sports Information at Bloomfield College. Duva was an editor of the *Glen Ridge Voice* from 2000-01 and is an editor at *The Daily Record* in Morristown.

Greg Matlosz, a history teacher at West Milford High School, received an award from The History Channel and A&E for best lesson plan after competing against teachers nationwide.

Jill Natale is a teacher at the Brooklake School in Florham Park. Natale was a student teacher last year at Littleton Elementary School in Parsippany.

Dionne Olivo is a fourth-grade teacher in Florham Park's elementary school. She previously taught for a year at Littleton Elementary School in Parsippany.

Darren O'Neill M.A. performed at the Grace Community Concert Series in Madison. O'Neill, a guitarist, is a twice-commissioned composer of the Vermont Council on the Arts for stage productions of Sartre's "No Exit" and Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet."

Margaret O'Shea joined the Special Events Department at *Billboard* magazine. She will assist in the coordination of all *Billboard* conferences and special events, including registrations, sponsorship sales, logistics and event information management. O'Shea will also be involved in the production of marketing materials and marketing research.

Peter Renwick M.A. was named assistant principal at Montclair High School. A teacher and administrative intern at the Ninth Grade Academy, Renwick will oversee athletics and student activities.

Patricia L. Scarpelli is a physical therapist assistant and professional health educator at Bayonne Medical Center. She is also an instructor of a senior community exercise program and an arthritis self-help/support group leader.

Jennie Smith teaches modern dance, tap, jazz, ballet and pointe at the Cindy Smith Dance Studio in Westfield. She has performed in MSU productions and choreographed for the Dance Department. She has also choreographed for the Jewish Community Center in West Orange and for the Cranford Repertory Theatre.

Group News

Diane Bodholt '63, Jacquie Sirota '63, Mary Lou Kovacs '63, Georgeanna Lewis '63, '67 M.A., Charlotte Snedeker '63 and Anne Spencer '63 traveled to Norway last summer with their husbands to celebrate the 40th anniversary of their graduation from Montclair State.

Dean Spinogatti '95 and **Robert Dente '88** have formed two companies, Urban Biologics, a sports nutrition company, and Sterling Grant Laboratories, which distrib-

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utes diet/weight loss and anti-aging products. Urban Biologics is distributed worldwide and is carried in all major health food stores. Sterling Grant Laboratories was voted the number one online retailer for women's health products in *Oxygen* magazine. Both companies are based in Totowa.

Engagements

Francine Ann Mardenly '88 to David William Hart. A May 2004 wedding is planned.
Richard D. Huxford Esq. '97 to **Christine M. Canova '98**. A Nov. 20, 2004 wedding is planned.
Jennifer Bucco '97 to Jared Glick. An Aug. 20, 2004 wedding is planned.
Lina Bonanno '98 to Dennis Mansour. An April 2005 wedding is planned.
Danielle Dickinson '99 to Vincent M. Corso. An October 2004 wedding is planned.
Paula Laiosa '99 to Brian Cochrane. A May 2004 wedding is planned.
Marc A. Pellicane '99 to Aileen T. Diggins. A July 17, 2004 wedding is planned.
Lisa VanLuvanee '99 to Michael Day. An October 2004 wedding is planned.
Mark Becker '00 to **Adriana Portelli '00**. A May 2004 wedding is planned.
Janine Leola '00 to **Gary Ingala '00**. A December 2004 wedding is planned.
Dawn Manzo '00 to Rob Gail. A May 2005 wedding is planned.
Christine Manzo '01 to **Ron Dellanno '01**. A December 2004 wedding is planned.
Jill Marie Nigro '02 to Michael Stepien. An August 2004 wedding is planned.
Maria A. Mezzina '02 to Stephen J. Przyborowski. An August 2005 wedding is planned.
Lisa M. Costello '03 to Alex Turnamian. A summer 2004 wedding is planned.

Marriages/Unions

Peter R. Karas '82 to Veronica Marie Wilborn on June 29, 2003
Delores Crawford '86 to Leon N. Crawford on May 17, 2003
Susan Marie Reyes '92 to Robert Bruce Horowitz on June 27, 2003
Stacy Ann McWilliams '94 to Allison Peirce Mathias on Oct. 11, 2003
Lisa Messina '94 to Matthew J. DiPaulo on July 19, 2003
Denise-Michelle Goff '96 to George Steven Hoffman on March 30, 2003
Timothy Greaux '00 to Kristen Novack on Nov. 1, 2003
Michael Nigro '00 to **Christina Clarke '01** on Aug. 31, 2003

Births

To **Susan Lyon Meggiolaro '88** and Steven Meggiolaro, a son, Travis Michael Meggiolaro, on Dec. 7, 2001
To **Estelle A. Giles-Monroe '91** and Robert A. Monroe Jr., a daughter, Sabina Margret Monroe, and a son, Robert A. Monroe III, on Feb. 10, 2003
To **Marc DeLorenzo '93** and **Stacie DeLorenzo '93**, a son, Thomas Matthew DeLorenzo, on Sept. 12, 2003
To **Amy Dunbar '93** and **Thomas Dunbar '96**, a son, Ryan Edward Dunbar, on Aug. 11, 2003
To **Marisol Ramirez Morales '93**, and Peter L. Morales, a daughter, Lisandra Isabel Morales, on Sept. 22, 2003
To **Elizabeth Rochette Visone '93** and Michael Visone, a son, Joseph Donald Visone, on June 10, 2003
To **Jennifer Zeppi Crudele '94** and **Michael Crudele '94**, a daughter, Julia Carol Crudele, on Sept. 24, 2003
To **Paul Desiderioscioli '94** and Shannon Desiderioscioli, a daughter, Gianna Delinda Desiderioscioli, on July 21, 2003

Susan Reyes and Robert Horowitz

To **Lori Wahlers Levitt '94** and Sam Levitt, a daughter, Natalie Grace Levitt, on Oct. 21, 2003
To **Jennifer Boehm Thompson '96** and Art Thompson, a son, Ethan John Thompson, on Sept. 27, 2003
To **Michelle L. Beck Geisinger '97** and Kurt Geisinger, a daughter, Christina Michelle Geisinger, on June 18, 2003
To **Michael Brennan '98 M.A.** and **Jennifer Wilson Brennan '98**, a daughter, Schuyler Jane Brennan, on June 28, 2003

In Memoriam

Fannie French '32, '38 M.A.
Audrey Montgomery Burr '33
William C. McAloon '38, '41 M.A.
Emanuel Elfenbein '39
Alice Reiche Farley '40
Edward A. Cleary '41 M.A.
Bernice Reichert '43
Morris Fang '44
Harry R. Muse Jr. '45, '50 M.A.
Raymond W. Ford '46 M.A.
Leonard Sobo '49
Frank A. Addesa '50
Elizabeth M. Kuebler '50 M.A.
Leslie Floyd Egbert Jr. '50
Richard J. Flanagan '51
Marion Matarazzo '51, '55 M.A.
Albert F. Pescinski '51
Charles F. Peterpaul '58
William Schmeisser '59
Morey P. Bobrow '63
Donald J. Cucurello '64, '72 M.A.
Patricia M. Hay '66
Peter O. Vanderbloom '66
Lena Lee Marchetti '71
John K. Adams '72
James Chaney '78
Korine H. Williams '78
Barbara McGarry Attara '96

Marie Frazee-Baldassarree, 82

Dr. Marie Frazee-Baldassarre '43 '46 M.A. passed away Nov. 24, 2003. She was 82 years old.

After earning a bachelor's degree, Frazee-Baldassarre joined the staff at Montclair State as a secretary in the Office of the Registrar. She earned a master's degree from Montclair State and a doctorate from Columbia University's Teachers College. She worked her way through the ranks in the Registrar's Office before joining Academic Advising, where she was the adviser to the then School of Mathematics and Science. She also taught in the Department of Counseling, Human Development and Educational Leadership.

She worked for her alma mater for more than 45 years. "The only time I remember Marie asking for anything for herself was when she retired and she sheepishly inquired whether she could take her antique Royal manual typewriter with her into retirement," said Provost Richard Lynde, who had the typewriter refurbished for her. "She will be remembered by generations of Montclair State alumni who knew her simply as Miss Frazee."

The University has been informed that Frazee-Baldassarre left a generous bequest to Montclair State that will provide an endowed professorship and an endowment for scholarships. More information about these generous gifts will appear in a future issue of *Alumni Life*.

Notes from Panzer

BY LOIS MADDEN KELLY '56

Arnold Marks '51 and his wife, Sheila, proudly announce that their son, Martin, an endodontist and the mayor of Scotch Plains, won the endorsement of the Republican Party to run for State Senate for New Jersey's 22nd legislative district. Arnold and Sheila reside in Port St. Lucie, Fla. He remains active by refereeing high school volleyball and umpiring girls' softball at the tender age of 75. His other pastimes are golf and swimming, and visiting their daughter in Santa Fe, N.M.

The class of 1953 celebrated its 50th anniversary at the Greenhouse Cafe. The partying alumni included **Bill Clark, Al Marbaise, Bart Boyle, Stu Weinberg, Ollie Gelston, Flo Conforti Felano, Vic Felano, Jackie Rennick Torcicollo** and **Ed Torcicollo.** Spouses also were part of the fun. The evening was spent recalling their college days, exchanging career histories, family news and their hopes for the days ahead. This successful evening would not have been complete without tales of Dr. Margaret Brown and her determination to make them the best possible representatives of our profession. A moment of silence for those classmates who have passed away was followed by a longtime tradition—singing the alma mater followed by 'Auld Lang Syne…and all remembered the words.

Patricia Zaccone '56 has been bitten by the travel bug. Her latest excursion was a cruise to Alaska, which left her in total awe of the state's beauty. Many side tours were taken along the way, each more exciting than the last, making it a dream trip. How can that possibly be topped? Try a trip to Paris followed by a five-day riverboat trip through the Provence region of France.

This roving reporter, in looking for a challenge, took on the New York Five-Boro Bike Ride. The 42-mile ride covered Manhattan, the Bronx, Queens, Brooklyn and Staten Island, all route roads being closed to traffic. My bike tour, however, became a 65-plus-mile, muscle-aching, please-God-get-me-back-to-my-car, heat-exhausting ride. Fun? you ask. Yes! The New York ride did not deter me. Months later I signed up for the New Jersey Twin Lights ride held in the Atlantic Highlands-Rumson area. This ride was a bit more risky. Traffic was not diverted, so we rode with it cautiously. Choosing the 50-mile ride over the 75- or 100-mile ride was a decidedly good choice. This time I was a part of the finish line festivities.

A women's golf outing held at the Roselle Country Club brought a surprise reunion to several Panzer College graduates. Club members **Kay Stevens Turner '41** and **Pat Grady Hatfield '56** chatted with guest player **Lois Madden Kelly '56** at the banquet following the day's outing. The theme of the day was "I've Been Framed" and all the golfers were dressed in black and white. The game played was Scramble; for the non-golfers that means best ball of the foursome is scored. Great weather, fun people and many laughs made the day most successful.

Rosemary Lamb Groszman '57 took an exciting, first-ever cruise. The trip covered the east coast north into Canada and, after a week, returned to its New York port. Terrific, beautiful and outstanding were a few of the adjectives describing her trip. "Skeeter's" tour calendar also included a few days in Amish country with friends—a great way to close out summer, especially knowing that now she will spend many days watching her beloved Nets play basketball.

Doris Nielson Miller '57 was a co-coordinator for the 50th year reunion of Morristown High School. After many months of preparation for this special night, Doris was able to sit back and enjoy the fun. The evening was attended by 152 celebrants, most of whom contacted Doris by phone and mail with high accolades of her selfless job in making the reunion a huge success. Well done!

Patricia Oplinus Steffich '58 and husband **John '59,** Ringwood residents for 43 years, don't consider "slow down" a part of their lifestyle. Pat is with the Bureau of Labor and Statistics part time and John is retired from medical sales and sales management. The couple enjoys golf and tennis, as well as biking and hiking. Trips biking in Holland, hiking in Oregon and a tennis vacation in Quebec are just of few of their many excursions. Pat and John are the proud parents of three married daughters and the grandparents of seven.

Keep those letters coming. Send news for Notes from Panzer to Lois Madden Kelly, 28 Stag Trail, Fairfield, NJ 07004 or e-mail Lois at ldkpanzer@aol.com. Please put "Notes from Panzer" in the subject line.

In Memoriam
Agnes Hays Picciano '27
Richard J. Fischer '51
Peter Marucci '54

MONTCLAIR STATE

Education on a grand scale... President Susan A. Cole is joined by (from left) Congressmen Scott Garrett '81, Steve Rothman and William Pascrell in a brick laying ceremony in October celebrating the start of construction on the New Academic Building. At 270,000 square feet, the facility will be the largest on campus. To read more about the building, which will house the College of Education and Human Services and the ADP Center for Teacher Preparation and Learning Technologies, go to www.montclair.edu/pages/insight/INSIGHT11-03-03/NAB.html.

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Bridging cultures with music... This spring, five music students will be the first from Montclair State to study at the Moscow State Conservatory in Russia, one of the most prestigious music conservatories in the world. Montclair State is the first university in the United States to have this type of exchange program with the Conservatory. Pictured with professor Mark Pakman, seated center, are, from left, seniors Elona Muca and Stephen Wu, juniors Patrick Valentino and Carolyn Dachinger, and senior Tricia Galvez. The students will study instrument, voice, Russian language and culture, all taught in English. They will live in dormitories and study with some of the most talented musicians in the world.

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